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BENGAL MINISTER'S SURPRISE FOR JINNAH

Pakistan On American Model For Province

Mohamed Ali Replies To Question Regarding Two-Nation Theory

CALCUTTA March 18, (A.P.I.): Replying to an interruption from an Opposition member who asked "what about your two-nation theory", the Finance Minister Mr. Mohamed Ali said, in the Bengal Council on Tuesday that in America which was inhabited by people of all nationalities, they lived in harmony and peace, and they had evolved a constitution satisfactory to all. They had a bond by which they now called themselves Americans. He saw no reason why they in Bengal should not have such a constitution satisfactory to all concerned so that Hindus and Muslims would not feel that one was dominated by the other. They would then participate in the Government of the Province for the common good of all. He could not understand why it should not be possible in an independent Bengal.

Get Rid Of British

Bengal would be the richest country, not only in India but also in the East, if she could break her shackles from England as well as from the Centre, said the Finance Minister.

"We do not want any domination, either foreign or central", he added. "We want to be absolutely free, and we want to breathe free air."

NO BEGGERS.

Referring to the Opposition criticism of asking help from the centre the Finance Minister said: "We are not begging anything from the Centre. We have a right to get money from the Government of India, and we feel that we are entitled to more than what has been allotted to us, because about a hundred crores of Bengal's money goes to the Centre from jute, tea and other duties."

Mr. Mohammed Ali added: "there is no doubt that we want peace and tranquility and communal harmony in the province. The Hindus and Muslims are the two main wheels of the chariot of Bengal. Neither of the two communities can achieve progress unless there is mutual trust, goodwill and co-operation.

Question Of Jt. Electorate

CALCUTTA, March 18. (U.P.I.): In the Bengal Council to-day, the Finance Minister, Mr. Mohammed Ali, replying to the budget debate said that the Opposition demand for a joint electorate could be settled later sitting round the table, if there was goodwill among the leaders. He said that the Chief Minister had given an idea about the formation of an all-party Government in the Province, which, he believed, was welcomed by all.

Bengal To Recruit Own Personnel

The Government of Bengal have decided not to participate in the Interim Government's scheme for future recruitment to the services, but to have their own scheme, said Mr. K. Nasarulla, Parliamentary Secretary to the Chief Minister, replying to a question in the Bengal Legislative Assembly to-day.

CENTRE'S 'NO' TO BENGAL

NEW DELHI, March 18. (U.P.I.): It is reliably understood that the Government of India have refused the subvention which the Bengal Government asked to meet the budget deficit which runs nearly to Rs. 13 1/2 crores.

It is further understood that the Government of India have asked the Bengal Government to meet the deficit by borrowing.

Tara Singh Challenges Mamdot And Noon

Punjab Harijans For Coalition: Liaquat Backs League

AMRITSAR, March 18, (A.P.I.): Master Tara Singh, the veteran Akali leader in a statement to the Associated Press of India said that he had received no invitation from Khan of Mamdot, President of the Punjab Provincial Muslim League, to attend a meeting of the Peace Committee. "I have not received any invitation till this day."

"Regarding Malik Feroz Khan's talk that I had sent a vague reply, I challenge him to publish that reply. I had never written to them. Let a facsimile of my reply be published."

Master Tara Singh deplored the Punjab happenings and regretted that the police had been unable to suppress the disturbances, which were well-organised. He said that the British had decided to quit India. There was no doubt about it, though British officials here and there still tried to pursue the policy of divide and rule in the broader imperial interests.

He could not believe that the hooligans from across the Indus could gave a two-hour battle to the troops.

He said that the fact that the trouble was confined to areas, where the Sikhs and Hindus were in a minority, was a patent fact, whereas nothing had happened in places where the non-Muslims were in a majority. He said that the Muslim League's agitation for 35 days which went on unchecked, had completely demoralised the Punjab police.

HARIJANS FOR COALITION

LAHORE, March 18 (A.P.I.): An assurance that the Harijan M.L.A.s of Punjab stand firmly by the Coalition Party, was given by Ch. Sunder Singh, a Harijan M.L.A. of the Punjab, to Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru in the course of an interview with him on March 16 at Lahore.

"The Harijans of this province", he said, "stand for a United India and a strong Government at the Centre."

Liaquat For League Govt. In Punjab

NEW DELHI, March 18 (A.P.A.): Liaquat Ali Khan, General Secretary of the Muslim League and Finance Member in the Interim Government, predicted to-day that the trouble in the Punjab would end in a few days, and after that it would be "reasonable" for the Governor to ask the Muslim League Party to form the new Government.

He declined to give details of what support the Muslim League would have but asserted that the Khan of Mamdot "would be able to face the Assembly with majority."

OPTIMISTIC ABOUT FRONTIER

Turning to the North-West Frontier, where the Muslim League is conducting a civil disobedience campaign designed to unseat the present Congress-controlled Government, Liaquat Ali said:

"The situation that has developed in the Frontier shows that the present Ministry has lost the confidence of the people of the Province, and if fresh elections were held—as should be when the Ministry has lost control—the Muslim League would secure a victory."

Corporators Resign "En Masse"

LAHORE, March 17 (A. P. I.): Twenty-six out of 38 non-Muslim Councillors of the Lahore Corporation resigned this evening as a protest against a ruling by the Mayor, Mian Amiru-ud-Din that a part of the proceedings of the meeting of the Corpo-

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'AGE OF SWORD IS OVER'

Jinnah On Urgent Need Of Agitation In Address To Muslim Women

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Addressing a gathering of Muslim women at Saboo Siddik Institute, Shepherd Road, this evening, Mr. M. A. Jinnah pleaded for the spread of education among the Muslim women.

Mr. Jinnah said that the age of the sword was over, and their urgent need of the hour was agitation.

He called upon the Muslim women to throw off their lethargy and equip themselves with education. This alone would enable them to stand on a footing of equality with their men folk.

Mr. Jinnah complimented the members of the Committee on their splendid constructive work.

The function was organised under the auspices of the Constructive sub-Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League.

A report of the work done by the Committee which read by Mrs. Mirza Akhtar Husein indicated that there were two classes run by the Committee, namely the Handicraft, Knitting and Sewing Class, and the Literacy Class. There were about 120 students in the former and 200 in the latter.

Mrs. Mirza said that the Committee had arranged for the opening of a free dispensary and a high school for Muslim girls.

Mr. Jinnah was presented with a sweater and a frame embroidered with a verse from Kuran saying "God is sufficient to help man".

Communist Espionage In Madras Secretariat?

Prakasam's Reply To Question In Assembly

MADRAS, March 18. (A.P.I.): It should not be a matter for surprise, if a Communist espionage system were at work in the Government Secretariat said Mr. T. Prakasam, Premier, during question time in the Madras Assembly today.

A question was asked by the Communist member of the House whether it was a fact that the Government had issued a confidential order to district authorities to "counteract Communist activities in the Province". The member read out a letter alleged to have been addressed to subordinate officers calling upon them to launch prosecutions or security proceedings against Communist leaders without prior reference to Government.

The Premier declined to answer the question "in the interests of public safety". He also refused to confirm the veracity of the letter quoted by the member. Replying to supplementaries as to how a confidential order of the Government had passed into the hands of the Communist, Mr. Prakasam said that top-rank Communist leaders had stated times out of number in public meetings that their spies were at work in all Government and industrial institutions. It was, therefore, not a matter for surprise if their agents existed in the Secretariat offices also.

DELHI REFUSES TO OBLIGE PRAKASAM

NEW DELHI, March 18, (A.P.I.): The Central Government wish to reiterate that they have informed the Madras Government that they will not cancel any licence for the import of textile machinery already issued under the Cotton Textile Expansion plan, in view of the heavy loss to which the licence-holders will be put, and the bad faith which such cancellation would imply, says a Press Note.

It is understood that no legislation exists in the Province of Madras under which any expansion of the cotton textile industry could be prevented. In these circumstances, the apprehension felt by some promoters of textile mills in the Madras Presidency, who have received licences for the import of textile machinery, that they may not be able to put up their mills after the machinery arrives, would appear to be groundless.

Hunger-Strike For Unity Among Madras Legislators

MADRAS, March 18, (A.P.I.): While the Madras Congress Legislature Party is meeting on March 21 to elect its leader, a Congress worker from Nellore, Potti Sriramalu has undertaken a fast unto death from today for bringing about unity among the Congress Legislators.

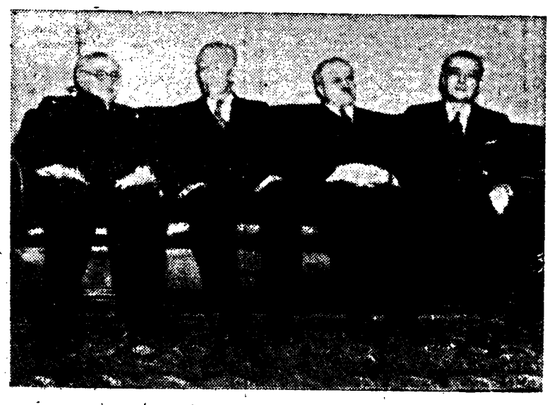
Potti Sriramalu was sten moving about in the lobbies of the Assembly this morning with a placard to this effect.

Mr. Sriramalu told pressmen today that he would end his fast as soon as members of the Congress Legislature Party sank their differences and formed Ministry composed of "capable administrators" of good character to the full satisfaction of the Congress President, Acharya Kripalani.

Mr. Sriramalu recently undertook a fast unto death as a protest against not opening certain temples to Harijans in Nellore. He broke the fast on the intervention of Mahatma Gandhi.

"A sincere but eccentric worker"—this was how Mahatma Gondhi described Mr. Sriramalu in a recent letter to the Madras Premier in connection with the textile policy of the Madras Government.

'BIG FOUR' AT MOSCOW



Left to right: Mr. Ernest Bevin, Gen. George C. Marshall, M. Molotov and M. Georges Bidault.

"Playing Game Of British Shipping"

MASTER CRITICISES BILL TO RESTRICT NEW SHIPS TO COASTAL WATERS

BOMBAY, March 18. (A.P.I.): Mr. M. A. Master, President of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce, commenting on the Bill to provide for the control of shipping, introduced in the Central Legislative Assembly yesterday, says that to ask for such "drastic powers" for a period of three years is "quite unusual and uncalled for".

The Indian shipping industry would not have objected to the Bill, Mr. Master says, if it sought to confine the existing ships on the Indian register to the trades in which they have been allowed to ply. But to compel the Indian shipowners to restrict also the movement of new ships to the coast is "to play the game of the British Ministery of Shipping."

Mr. Master observed that it would be "nothing short of disaster" if Indian shipping is compelled to keep all the new ships to the coastal waters only.

"The new burdens of direct taxation, which are going to be imposed on industries under the budget proposals, will severely cripple the economic strength of an industry like the Indian shipping industry which has to grow against the impact of international forces. It is, therefore, extremely essential that the Bill should make it clear that new ships acquired recently by Indian shipping interests for plying in India's overseas trades will be allowed to do so and that their movements will not be fettered or restricted in any way. This is the least that the Government should do, and Indian shipping is fully justified in making such a reasonable request both on grounds of equity and for ensuring its future growth.

"The Bill seeks to take power to fix rates and fares merely by an executive order without giving any opportunity to the interests concerned to have their way. I would, therefore, most earnestly appeal to Hon'ble the Commerce Member to provide a suitable machinery in the Bill for achieving the object which the Government have in view and to make it clear that the Government will not only consult the Indian shipping industry in this matter but that they will also fix only such economic rates as have been determined after taking into consideration all the peculiar needs and conditions of the Indian shipping industry which has been struggling against heavy odds all these years to preserve its existence."

OUT TO FINISH PUBLIC SAFETY BILL

Bombay Assembly To Begin Earlier And Sit Till Work Is Over

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay Legislative Assembly will meet at 11-30 a.m., two and a half hours earlier than usual and will go on for an undetermined length of time, on Wednesday, March 19, in order to expedite the passing of the Public Safety Bill.

The debate on the budget grants now in progress will be interrupted for this purpose. The Governor having made a change in the time table, the Speaker, Mr. K. S. Firodia consulted to-day the wishes of the House regarding the timings to be followed. Various suggestions were made including one that the House must have an extra sitting on Thursday morning. While the question of a late session on Wednesday and of an early one on Thursday have not been decided, the Speaker fixed the meeting for Wednesday at 11-30 A.M.

The House also agreed to consider the grants under the two heads of expenditure under "Medical" and "Public Health" together and finish the debate on both in two days which is the time allotted for each item.

Accordingly Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister in charge of Public Health asked for two grants, one for Rs. 1,28,54,000 under the head "Medical" and the other for Rs. 1,18,02,000 under the head "Public Health".

(For details of cut motions and debate see page 4)

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

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NEW YORK, March 18.

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NEW YORK, March 18.

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United States Steel Preference unquoted.—(Reuter).

Line Clear For Dutch-Indonesian Pact

Commission-General Authorised To Sign Agreement Immediately

BATAVIA, March 18, (Reuter): The Dutch Commission-General announced here today that it had been authorised to sign "immediately" the agreement for "a United States of Indonesia" initialled at Linggadjati, Java, last November.

The Netherlands Government have its authorisation after receiving a letter from the Indonesian delegation last Friday following an unofficial exchange of views, the announcement said.

Dr. Sutan Shahriar, the Indonesian Premier, has already been informed of the Netherlands' decision. He will discuss the matter today in Jogjakarta, the Republican capital, with Dr. I. R. Soekarno, President, and other members of the Indonesian delegation to the negotiations. He is expected back in Batavia within a few days with the Indonesians final answer.

Whether Dr. Shahriar is still ready to sign the agreement on terms he indicated to the Dutch Commission-General last week, depends on the Indonesian reaction to the Dutch Army's action in extending the Sourabaya perimeter to Modjokerto. He has already lodged a strong protest about this action.

The time and place of signature of the agreement would be determined jointly by the Commission-General and the Indonesian Delegation, the announcement concluded.

DUTCH OCCUPY LANGKONG SLUICES

BATAVIA, March 18 (Reuter): Netherlands Army Information Service reports that the Langkong sluices were occupied intact by Dutch troops yesterday afternoon. This has completely secured a key position for the water supply of the Porong Delta. The resistance met with so far has been limited.

A letter of protest has been addressed to the Commission-General by the Indonesian delegation regarding occupation of the town of Modjarkerto in connection with inundations according to Anata, the Dutch News Agency, declaring that this Dutch military action is "treason and violation of the cease fire agreement."

"We are greatly surprised to learn that Dutch military forces are not withdrawing towards their position behind the demarcation lines, but are instead continuing to advance."

Nanking Minister Threatens To Resign

NANKING, March 18, (Reuter): Dr. Wang Shih Chieh, Chinese Foreign Minister, threatened to resign today when members of the Kuomintang Central Executive said that his policy towards Soviet Russia "had been too weak", according to well-informed sources.

Dr. Wang was appearing before a closed session of the Committee to answer questions on the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Alliance of 1945, these sources said.

NEW DELHI, March 18. (A.P.I.): Maulana Syed Husain Ahmed Madani has been re-elected President of the All-India Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind.

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LT. PHILIP MOUNTBATTEN

LONDON, March 18. (A.P.A.): The London Gazette tonight announced that Prince Philip of Greece had been granted British naturalisation under the name of Lt. Philip Mountbatten.

In taking the name of Mountbatten he has the same name as his uncle, Lord Louis Mountbatten, Viceroy-designate of India.

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NEW RULER OF KOLHAPUR

Maharajah Of Dewas (Sr.) To Be Adopted

KOLHAPUR, March 18. (A.P.I.): The Crown Representative has accorded his sanction to Her Highness Tarabaisahep Chatrapati, Maharani of Kolhapur, to adopt the present Maharajah of Dewas.

(Senior), Sir Vikramsinha Rao Puar, it is officially announced here.

Thirty-seven-year-old Sir Vikramsinha Rao Puar, who succeeds the late Bal Maharajah Shivaji Chhatrapati, who died in Bombay six months ago, was educated at Indore and Kolhapur, and married a princess of the House of Jath in 1926. His Highness went overseas on active service during the second world war, being attached to the 2/5th Marathas in the Middle East, and attended the Victory celebrations in London in June, 1946 in the capacity of A.D.C. to the King Emperor.

The adoption ceremony will be held at new palace, Kolhapur, on March 31.

STOP PRESS

ATTLEE'S BROADCAST.

LONDON, March 18. (Reuter): Mr. Clement Attlee, Britain's Socialist Prime Minister to-night broadcast a "Work to survive" message to the nation. He said that the difficulties facing the nation were too serious and the challenge too immediate to allow him to indulge in party scores.

U. S. TASK FORCE TO VISIT TURKEY.

WASHINGTON, March 18. (A.P.A.): The U. S. navy announced to-day that a task force led by the 27,000-ton aircraft carrier 'Leyte' will visit the Dardanelles and Turkey next month.

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BOMBAY LOSE TO PUNJAB

Gurucharan's Defence Bright Spot In Uneventful Play

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

PUNJAB	2
BOMBAY	1

Only two penalty corners were awarded in favour of Punjab this evening and they scored off both these. Otherwise there was hardly anything in the Punjab outfit to make it a formidable team. Right-half Gurucharan alone by his tireless perseverance made the defence look somewhat respectable, Trilochan and Dharam Singh were good but not really good enough to withstand the pace of the game for sustained periods. They played in the patches but it was Gurucharan alone who showed both a sound defence and a shrewd sense of distribution.

So much was the percentage of attacking done by Bombay that the winner's forward line had very little of the ball as might be judged from the fact that both their goals came from short-corners. First Trilochan Singh beat everybody in the goal when the game was barely a few minutes old. And then in the second half when the teams stood on level terms, Trilochan Singh once again let loose a fast drive to the boards off a short-corner. This was, however, stopped by Pinto but from the rebound Aziz scooped the ball into the net to give the Punjab the title for the second time in the succession.

If it was any one player's match today it was right-in Pillay's. He was the only forwards whose brilliance atoned for some of the almost unpardonable lapses of his colleagues in the front line. Not one of the remaining four showed any understanding so vital in the front line, Pillay drew the defence on himself and then flicked the ball past helpless spectators only to see the chance either wasted or missed. From their performance in the semi-final it was felt that the local forwards might have arrived at a certain co-ordination that might give them their goals. It was thoroughly disproved this evening.

Woodcock missed two very easy chances of scoring. First he failed to strike hard and early when he had but the custodian to beat from a short distance, thus failing to put his side in the lead. Next, when Punjab were leading by one goal he had the glorious chance of equalising with no one, not even Ghulam Anwar Khan in the goal, but Bombay's left-out shot inches wide of his mark.

After being down love-one in the first half, Bombay were rather fortunate in equalising. The Punjab custodian failed to connect with a kick at the top of the circle and Rodrigues pushed the ball in. Thereafter off an excellant pass from a free hit some ten yards outside the circle Woodcock sent one fast in front of the goal-mouth but Rodrigues and Kishen in turn failed to take advantage of it. A little later Rodrigues missed yet another chance of restoring equality.

THE TEAMS:

PUNJAB: Ghulam Anwar Khan; Trilochan Singh and Dharam Singh; Gurucharan, Amir Kumar and Shah Rukh; Ram Sarup, Dara, Balbir, Aziz and Gurbachan Singh.

BOMBAY: Pinto; Ferreira and W. D'Souza; Perumal, G. Perreira and M. Vaz; Kishen, Pillay, Munir, Rodrigues and Woodcock.

M. C. C. DRAW WITH OTAGO

DUNEDIN, March 18, (Reuter): The match between the M.C.C. and Otago ended in a draw, M.C.C. scoring 216 for nine (one run behind).

Otago reached the total of 262 for the loss of seven wickets at tea when the innings was declared closed.

OTAGO (SECOND INNINGS):

Mills c Ikin b Wright	14
Hadlee leg before B. Pollard	47
Sutcliffe c Compton b Wright	128
Roberts b Wright	1
Robinson b Voce	20
St. John c Pollard b Bedser	25
Smith c Edrich b Bedser	6
Extras	21
Total (for seven wickets declared)	262

FALL OF WICKETS: 1 for 139, 2 for 195, 3 for 204, 4 for 210, 5 for 238, 6 for 261.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—Bedser 14.4/1/39/2, Voce 12/1/34/1, Wright 11/1/83/3, Pollard 14/2/62/1, Edrich 2/1/4/0, Yardley 6/1/15/0, Compton 1/0/4/0.

(Extras:—Byes 8, Legbyes 9, Noballs 4, Pollard 2, Voce 1 and Bedser 1.)

M.C.C. (SECOND INNINGS):

Fishlock b Mcdougall	4
Yardley c and b Roberts	8
Evans c Robinson b Mcdougall	64
Edrich c Sutcliffe b Roberts	26
Compton Stumped Galloway b Smith	27
Hammond c Hadlee b McDougall	4
Ikin not out	48
Bedser b Mcdougall	25
Voce c Mcdougall b Roberts	1
Wright run out	3
Extras (byes four, leg byes 2)	6
Total (for 9 wkts. at close)	216

FALL OF WICKETS:—1 for 5; 2 for 21; 3 for 90; 4 for 120; 5 for 133, 6 for 145; 7 for 203; 8 for 206 and 9 for 216.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—Roberts 12/1/56/3, Mcdougall 13/0/62/4, Sullivan 3/0/15/0, Overton 4/0/32/0. Smith 6/0/45/1.

THREE M.C.C. TOURISTS LEAVE FOR ENGLAND

SYDNEY, March 18, (Reuter): James Langridge, Paul Gibb and Joe Hardstaff, members of M.C.C. tourists in Australia who did not go to New Zealand, sailed for Home today on the large bay. They were accompanied by baggageman Ferguson and Eric Bedser, who made an independent trip to Australia, not to play cricket, but in order to be with his twin brother, Alex, during the tour.

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Indian Cricketers For Australian Tour

By J. C. MAITRA

The Indian selectors Col. C. K. Nayudu, Prof D. B. Deodhar, Dr. Jehangir Khan and P. E. Palia, assisted by Vijay Merchant the skipper, have chosen unanimously the following 17 players to tour Australia next cold weather.

V. M. Merchant (Captain), L. Amarnath (Vice- Captain), Syed Mushtaq Ali, Vinoo Mankad, V. S. Hazare, R. S. Modi, C. S. Nayudu, Gul Mahomed, S. W. Sohoni, Amir Elahi, J. K. Irani, P. Sen, K. M. Rangnekar, G. Kishenchand, D. G. Phadkar, Fazal Mahmood and H. R. Adhikari.

OMISSIONS

It was generally expected several of those players who toured England last year would be dropped. So in addition to the Nawab of Pataudi who led that side, D. D. Hindlekar and R. B. Nimbalkar both the wicket keepers, S. N. Bannerjee, C. T. Sarwate, S. G. Shinde and Abdul Hafeez has been omitted from the list. The last-named is not in this country at present. So the question of his exclusion does not arise. I am not also surprised at the omission of Hindlekar,—although he is still the best wicket-keeper in India,—because Merchand and Hindlekar do not pull on well-together.

INSCRUTABLE!

But I am exceedingly surprised at the omission of Sarwate and the inclusion of Hemu Adhikari and Mushtaq Ali. It seems strange that this bowler-batsman should have been excluded when our bowling stock is so limited.

Mushtaq may have been given preference mostly because of his superb fielding abilities. His batting cannot be depended upon, as his impetuosity in incurable. Even at the age of 33, he slashes as wildly at an early ball or gets himself run out as he used to do in his earliest days. Experience has not sobered him in the least. However, he may be very useful to our weak fielding side.

But what made the selectors choose Adhikari, I am unable to make-out. He is far from his best form in batting for many a day and he is nothing of a brilliant fieldsman either. Why was K. C. Ibrahim left out then?

WELCOME INCLUSIONS

With Hindlekar out of consideration Irani walked into the side without any difficulty. There will be difference of opinion as to who is the better wicket-keeper between Sen and Maka. People in Bombay would certainly vote for the latter while Bengal would give the palm to their man. Probably the alacrity of the Bengali behind the sticks has given him the preference against his Bombay rival.

Everybody would welcome the selection of Amir Elahi, the veteran spin bowler, and the other new-comers in Khandu Rangnekar, G. Kishenchand, Dattu Phadkar and Fazal Mahmood. They have fully earned their places by their recent performances in their respective departments.

POSSIBILITIES

The team may be said to be rich in batting talents. Almost every one of them is capable of putting on a decent figure—apart from the stalwarts who are expected to present massive totals to the side. But how they will fare against the Kangaroo speed-merchants and slow-spinners remains to be seen. I hope Vijay Merchant will try from the outset to build up a regular batting order so that the foundation for big scores may be well and truly laid.

As for bowlers, I need hardly mention that the team will go without a trundler of the express variety. How our stock will acquit against the giants of Australian cricket, it is hard to speculate. A good deal will, therefore, depend on the fieldsmen. Everybody must do his best. Then only the team may make a decent show.

A. I. Kajee And S. R. Naidoo Were There

PETERMARITZBURG, March 18. (Reuter): Among an audience of distinguished guests gathered on the portico behind the Royal dias at today's reception were two former members of the Natal Indian Congress. They were Mr. A. I. Kajee and Mr. S. R. Naidoo. Thousands of their countrymen and women filled the streets and vied with Europeans in the warmth of the reception.

For Noakhali Relief

CALCUTTA, March 18. (U.P.I.): Under instructions from Sardar Patel, the treasurer of the Congress, the Bachraj Company of Bombay have sent a sum of Rs. 25,000 to Mr. Surendra Mohan Ghosh, President, Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, for relief of the sufferers in the Noakhali and Tipperah disturbances.

PRINCES TO CONFER IN CITY

NEW DELHI, March 18 (A.P.I.): Certain important and final decisions on the future policy of the Indian States are likely to be taken by the Princes at the General Conference of Rulers scheduled to meet in Bombay on April 2. The conference will be preceded by a series of meetings of the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes commencing from March

INDIAN GOVERNMENT CONTROLS REGULATING IMPORTS FROM NON-STERLING AREAS HAVE BEEN TIGHTENED UP

NEW YORK, March 17, (U.P.A.): Banks were reported to be receiving advices that the Indian Government controls regulating imports from non-sterling areas have been tightened up including the cancellations of the open general license list and invalidation after June 30th of specific licences which were to be valid until December 31, according to well informed sources today.

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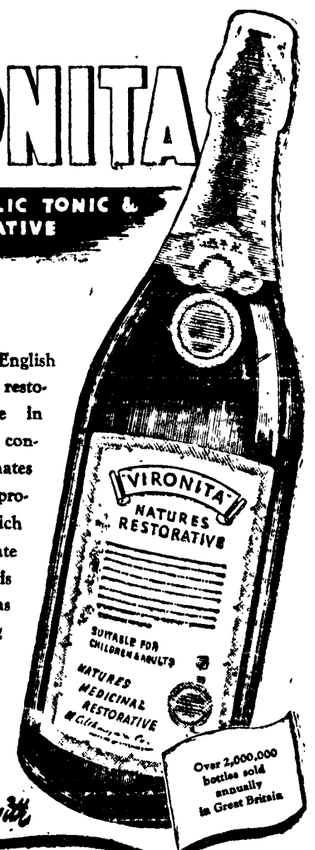

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Mr. Mohanlal Maneklal Khandheria, an old associate of Mahatmaji in South Africa, expired on 10th March, 1947, at Louis Trichardt, Transwaal. He was jailed twice for taking active part in the civil disobedience movement in 1908 in South Africa.

SWAMI TO BE "BURIED ALIVE"!

Offers To Give Public Demonstration Of His Yogic Powers

Swami Ramanand, a young Yogi who has travelled extensively and has given public demonstrations of his extraordinary Yogic powers at various places in India, who is now in Bombay, staying at the Lakshmi Narayan Temple Gardens, Matunga, proposes to give a demonstration of "Samadhi" on Saturday next, the 22nd instant, at 5-30 p.m., at Khalsa College ground Matunga. The "Samadhi" will terminate on Sunday, the 23rd instant, at the same hour. The Hon. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, President of the Bombay Legislative Council, will preside at the function and Hon. Mr. K. S. Firodia, Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, will be present on the occasion.

Facilities For Matriculation Exam. Candidates

The Bombay Studenst' Congress has organised free transport service for the benefit of the Matriculates. There will be 2 shifts (1) Morning, (2) Evening. The free buses will stop at each E. and H. route stands and the students are requested to make use of them freely.

For Morning shift the starting centres are:—(1) Chowpatty Band Stand, (2) Opera House, (3) C. P. Tank. For evening shift, the buses will start from every examination centre.

BAN ON LETHAL WEAPONS IN CITY EXTENDED

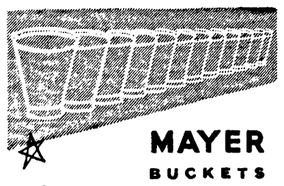
BOMBAY, March 17, (A.P.I.): The Commissioner of Police, Greater Bombay, has extended for a further period of one month from tomorrow his order prohibiting the carrying or collecting of lethal weapons, corrosive substances like acids, etc.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Governor of Bombay attended a Combined Operations Exercise by the Navy, Army and Air Force, at Madh Island.

His Excellency and Lady Colville attended the Horse Show organised by the Amateur Riders' Club on the Lloyd Recreation Ground, when Lady Colville gave away the prizes.



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To-day's Engagements

80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOMBAY PRARTHANA SAMAJ: Today (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. Miss Sulabha Panandikar will deliver an address in English on "Religious Education" in the Prarthana Mandir, Girgaum.

MUNICIPAL STANDING COMMITTEE: Special Meeting today, at 2 p.m. (B. T.) and weekly Meeting at 3-30 p.m. (B. T.).

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGHAM: Lecture on 'Tamil as spoken' by Mr. N. Vasudevan, at 8-30 p.m., at the sangham premises.

CRICKET CLUB OF INDIA LTD.: Meeting of Secretaries of various Cricket Clubs of Bombay, at the Governor's Pavilion, today, at 5-30 p.m.

B. P. C. C. CONSTITUTION IN HINDUSTANI: Since a long time there has been a great demand for copies of the constitution of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee in Hindustani. These are now available at the office of the B. P. C. C. at 4 as. per copy.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "Cycles of Thoughts and Feelings" is the subject of a short talk to be followed by Questions and Answers, today (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

BRAINS TRUST: At the Y. M. C. A., 12, Wodehouse Road, today, at 6-45 p.m. Panel: Prof J. C. Daruvala (Q. M.), Dr. S. G. Panandikar, Dr. M. B Vajifdar, Dr. A. P. R. Pinto and Mr. C. Ramasamy.

BOMBAY UNION OF JOURNALISTS. Mr. S. G. Amin, President, East African Indian Congress, Mr. S. T. Thakore, M. L. C., Kenya and B. E. Pandya, Editor, 'Kenya Times', will speak on "The East African Indian Problem" at the Club, Prospect Chambers Annexe, Hornby Road, at 6 p.m., today (Wednesday).

H. I. RAHIMTOOLA FOR GENEVA. Mr. Habib Ibrahim Rahimtoola, President the Bombay Provincial Muslim Chamber of Commerce, has accepted the invitation of the Government of India to proceed to Geneva—(Switzerland) as a member of the Indian Delegation to the Preparatory Committee of the International Conference on Trade and Employment. Mr. Rahimtoola accompanied by Mrs. Rahimtoola will leave for Switzerland by air on the TWA Service on March 27th 1947.

WEATHER NEWS FOR FARMERS. FORECAST TILL THURSDAY MORNING:—Dry weather mainly. OUTLOOK FOR FURTHER 2 DAYS: No large change.

Dr. T. P. Shah, M.D., who had been to U.K. for further studies in Midwifery and Gynaecology returns to India after qualifying for the fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh. Dr. Shah is the grandson of the late Dr. Tribhowandas M. Shah, an eminent Surgeon of his days, who was famous for his original work in Rhynoplasty, and was author of various works on Medical Science.

TODAY ON RADIO

WEDNESDAY, March 19.
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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Song of Week (by D'Mel) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Yeshwantrao Kerkar (Gat Tora on Tabla) 8-45 S. K. Joshi (Pad) 9-0 Gokulibai Kakodkar (Shudh-Sarang).

12-0 p.m. Variety programme (H) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Mile Jule Gane 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Music 4-20 Fakirappa Kundgolkar (Multani) 4-50 M. L. Khan Adeel (Ghazal) 5-0 Yeshwantrao Kerkar (Gat Tora on Tabla) 5-15 S. C. R. Bhatt (Shree) 5-45 Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Geeten 6-30 Raojibhai Patel (Khyal Vil mbit and Drut: Puria) 6-50 M. L. Khan Adeel (Ghazal aur Geet) 7-0 Sham Devre (Abhang) 7-15 Yeshwantrao Kerkar (Gat Tora on Tabla) 7-30 Fakirappa Kundgolkar (Puria) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Hindustanche Parashtriya Vyapari Dhoran by D. R. Samant (M) 8-45 Reading from his own poems by Sapal Orawford 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Selecting specialists: (Talk by a doctor) 10-0 S. C. R. Bhatt (Jhinjhoti) 10-30 Gokulibai Kakodkar (Nayaki-Kanada).

BONUS FOR MILL WORKERS: INDUSTRIAL COURT'S AWARD

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The workers of 60 textile mills in the city who have referred their industrial dispute to the Industrial Court for arbitration will get a bonus of 20 per cent of their earnings during the year 1946.

An award to this effect was given today by the Court consisting of Justice Harsidhbhai Divatia, President Mr. Justice Rajadyaksha and Mr. D. V. Vyas, who out of the workers demands, first took up the issue of bonus for hearing last week.

According to the award, workers parmanent or "badli", who have worked in the mills concerned in the dispute shall be given a bonus equal to one-fifth of their earnings in 1946. Workers who have worked for 75 working days and more than 32 days shall be granted a bonus to the extent to 50 per cent of their earning in that year and those who have worked less than this shall get nothing.

Those workers who have been dismissed for misconduct shall not be entitled for any bonus and in the case of women workers who had been on maternity leave during the period referred to, the actual maternity allowance drawn by them shall be included in their wages for the purpose of calculating the bonus payment.

This bonus shall be calculated on earnings (exclusive of dearness allowance and bonus paid during the period) from January 1, 1946 and it will be paid in one lump sum on April 12.

Those workers who are eligible for bonus but who are not in service of the mill on the day of payment of bonus shall be paid in one lump sum on May 20 provided claims in writing the submitted to the manager of the mills concerned before May 10.

Of the 0 mills in the dispute, the workers of 52 mills were represented by the Rashtriya Mill Mazdoor Sangh and Mr. Dhirubhai Desai argued the issue on behalf of them. The workers of the remaining 8 mills were represented by the Bombay Girni Kamgar Union and Mr. K. T. Sule argued for them.

The case of mills represented by the Millowners' Association was argued by Sir Jamshedji Kanga and Mr. R. J. Kola.

WAGE INCREASE ISSUE

The Court today considered the issue of wage increase with standardization. Mr. Shantilal Shah, Solicitor on behalf of the Rashtriya Mill Mazdoor Sangh, argued the workers case.

He supported the report of the assessors submitted to the Court in general on the above fuestion, barring a few modifications. He said that the criterion of the capacity of the industry to pay should be considered but that should not bar the industry to pay a decent living wage. He stated that the industry will benefit by getting more efficiency if higher wages will be paid to its workers as that was experience in the other Centres like Ahmedabad and other European countries. The wage paying capacity of the industry may be poor but that does not mean that workers should suffer and should be asked to make more and more sacrifices.

Earlier Mr. K. T. Sule on behalf of the Bombay Girni Kamgar Union argued the same issue for some time.

Workers Observe "Basic Wages Day"

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

In observance of the "Basic Demands Day" organised by the Bombay Provincial Trade Union Congress, 25,000 workers from four mills, two workshops and several factories refrained from going to work today.

Though no strike had been called for, the workers voluntarily went on a strike.

The B.P.T.U.C.'s decision was the outcome of a resolution passed at the Jubilee Session of the All India Trade Union Congress held at Calcutta recently calling upon all workers throughout India to observe March 18th as the Basic Demands Day.

A mammoth rally of workers at the Kamgar Maidan in the evening was the final item in the days repertoire.

The Bombay Postal Union also observed the day by holding a meeting presided over by Mr. M. N. Talpade in the compound of the G.P.O. in the evening. This meeting by a resolution called upon the provincial and central Government to accept their basic demands as put forward by the Trade Union Congress. By another resolution the meeting resented the Government's refusal to pay strike wages to the P. T. workers who went on strike in July last and requested the Interim Government to revise the decision as the strike was withdrawn on their promise. Similar meetings of Postal Union at Girgaum and Dadar.

The Basic Demands put forth by the A.-I.T.U.C. are:—Jobs for All, No Retrenchment, Living Wages, Decent Housing and Social Security (including old age pension, sickness and unemployment insurance.

Bobbin Workers On Strike

The General Secretary, the "Mahaluxmi Bobbin Workers' Union, writes: "About 120 workers of The Mahaluxmi Bobbins Mfg. Co. Ltd. at Mahim are on strike from the last 11 days, without any prospects of settlement. The management has refused to recognise the Union on the grounds that there are outsiders in it; and they have also refused to see the representatives of the Union. The demands of the workers include recognition of the Union, reinstatement of dismissed workers, increase in dearness allowance, increase in daily wages and 12 other demands.

6,000 Ahmedabad Workers Strike

AHMEDABAD, March 17, (A. P. I.): About 6,000 mill operatives from 66 mills in the city today abstained from the second shift today as a protest against the award of the Industrial Court ordering a change over of workers of day and night shifts every month.

AVIATION WORKERS' UNIONS TO FEDERATE

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Representatives various Aviation Workers' Unions decided to form a central organisation for the Unions at a meeting held on March 17. A Committee has been set up with Mr. B. S. Dhume, General Secretary of the Mistri Airways as Secretary to work out preliminary details of the proposed Federation of Aviation Workers' Unions.

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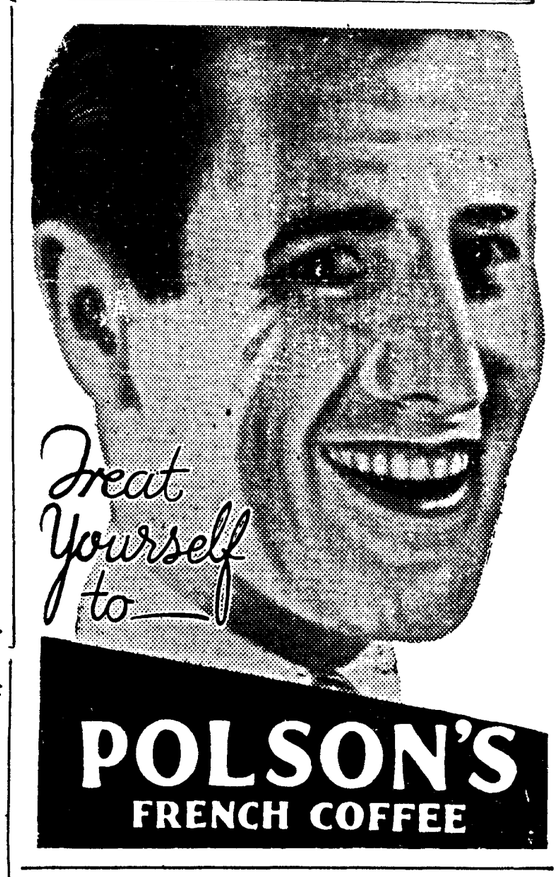

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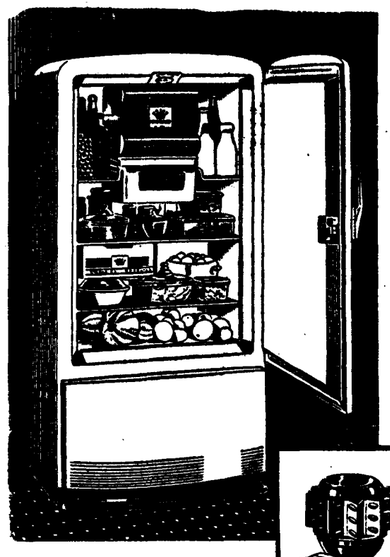

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, March 18, (A. P. I.): The following is daily weather summary for Tuesday, the 18th March 1947:—

Yesterday's western disturbance is moving north-eastwards across the South Punjab and has caused local showers in the North-West Frontier Province and Kashmir with a few falls in the east and north Punjab and north Baluchistan. Isolated thundershowers have also occurred in south Bengal.

Following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st November, 1946, and departure from normal recorded at 8 hours (I. S. T.), on 18th March, 1947:—

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STATES PEOPLE'S RIGHT

Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar, Dewan of Travancore, says that, as this State was an independent kingdom which had only "conceded certain powers of advice" to the British Crown in a Treaty of Friendship in 1805 but which had never been conquered by the British, it would resume its independence after British withdrawal in June 1948. We need not discuss here the terms of that Treaty of Friendship or why the State owed loyalty to the British Crown to such an extent that Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar held it to be impossible for Travancore or any other State in India to concede responsible Government to the people so long as Paramountcy was vested in the British Crown. We would only point out that on the withdrawal of the British all the States in India would in a way, be independent, and not Travancore alone, whether or not they had been conquered by the British. It has been made clear again and again that with the withdrawal Paramountcy will end and that the States will have to make fresh treaties with the new Government of India. Nay, theoretically, every State is free not to make a fresh treaty, and take the consequences. The Travancore Dewan, however, has at least this realism as to agree that the State will have to enter into treaties with the Government that will come into existence in India to regulate matters of joint concern because India is one country and that as regards defence the State is prepared to pay its share of the cost of defence and to supply its share of the personnel needed in all ranks.

The more important question is who, when Travancore becomes independent in 1948, will decide about the new treaties or the independent Government of the State, the Ruler or the people. Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar has said not a word on this point. If he expects that things will go back to the position in 1805 he is not realistic enough and will be duly disillusioned. "The policy of the Travancore Government", he says, "will be to prepare itself to take up the status and position of an independent kingdom from July 1, 1948". But this not a concern of the Government only but of the people too. And the people's preparation may well begin at once. Their first concern will be to define their attitude towards the Constituent Assembly and see that that attitude is approved and followed by Government very soon. Several other States like Baroda, Gwallior, Patiala, Cochin, Bhavnagar and Jodhpur have already decided to join the Constituent Assembly in accordance with terms agreed to with the Negotiating Committee of the Assembly. The people of Travancore cannot afford to let the Government be still undecided and vacillating. The Dewan complacently observes that the decision about joining the Assembly will be reached after ascertaining which will be the best or most feasible way in which the independence of Travancore can be asserted and at the same time mutual rights and obligations can be adjusted and that Government are not going to commit themselves beforehand unless they knew actually the attitude of others." If, he adds, by going into the Assembly "they could negotiate best, they would choose that line. If it is better to stand outside, and negotiate with the future Government, as an independent entity they would do it that way". We can quite understand the need for a State consulting other States about joining the Assembly. But the present dilatory tactics pursued by many of the States on frivolous grounds are unhelpful to the States people, who rightly insist that the States should immediately join the Assembly and that at least 50 per cent of the States' representatives should be elected by the people. It behoves the people of every State to agitate vigorously for this inalienable right of theirs. The independence that is almost won by the labours and sacrifices of the people of India, and not of the Rulers of the States, should not be allowed to take the form of the Ruler's absolutism. It must take the form of self-determination and democracy throughout India.

Sir C. P. Ramaswamy Aiyar, taking his stand on the Congress resolution that the constitution framed by the Constituent Assembly would apply only to areas which accept it, remarks: "If that is the state of a province, and the Congress Working Committee are dealing with provinces, then the case with regard to States is a "fortiori" unassailable". Congress has always agreed that every State is free to join or not to join the Constituent Assembly and later to accept or not to accept the constitution framed by the Assembly. But neither the Congress nor the States people will ever agree to the principle of a Ruler deciding for the people, on the theory of "I am the State." The Assembly is a forum for the exercise of the people's right of self-derterminations. The people of every State insist on this right both in respect of joining the Assembly and in accepting the constitution framed by it. They will not allow themselves to be robbed of this right by would-be dictators and their henchmen.

Frankly Speaking

Disappointingly Slow

In the Central Assembly the Government of India came in for some strong criticism for the slow speed of its derequisitioning programme. The war ended two years ago and while it is quite true that it is an extremely short period for return to normalcy in any sphere of life, better progress could have been possible in the matter of derequisitioning. The over-all all-India picture may be claimed by the Government to be satisfactory. For, out of the totals of 6,582 buildings and 5,162 lands requisitioned 5,192 buildings and 1,847 lands were derequisitioned by January 1947. But could the figure for land not have been higher? What is positively disappointing is the position in the big cities. One can perhaps concede the defence offered by the Secretary for Works, Mines and Powers, regarding Delhi. But what about Bombay, for instance? Out of 115 houses taken over by the Government of India the number released is only 5. This poor record cannot be explained away and it is to be hoped that the Government will show more energy and speed as a matter of obligation to the suffering citizens.

Sensible Plea

At a Press Lunch in Tokio, General MacArthur advocated the closing down of the Supreme Command Allied Powers as soon as possible and handing over of Japan to non-military control by the United Nations. He made two other points in his speech, namely that democracy had come to stay in Japan and that the country should be allowed to trade with the rest of the world. India will agree with General MacArthur's plea. What has been decided about the demilitarisation of Japan and depriving her of much of her industrial potentialities is enough punishment. And Japan deserves a chance to rebuild her life on the new bases. It may be argued that democracy has not yet come to stay definitely in the country. But if strict control is relaxed and she is allowed better conditions and circumstances in which to set herself to the task of economic and political rehabilitation, a better Japan can emerge under the sympathetic guidance of the United Nations. But the main condition is that Big Powers should cease to use her as the field of their own power politics. India will certainly support a new deal to Japan.

Tory Desperation

It is not to be expected that the Tories would give up the fight for their Indian Empire easily. To-day they are engaged in a desperate rearguard struggle and attempts are naturally being made to make conveniently Imperialistic capital out of the tragic happenings in the Punjab. There were 'anxious' questions in the House of Commons about the use of British troops. So long as they are here and paid for by the Indian tax payer, what is their costly presence here for if they are not to be used in restoring law and order? The idea, of course, was to show that without Butler when that Right Honourable in this country was impossible. It was that idea which was sought to be emphasised further by Mr. R. A. British troops peace and tranquillity gentleman asked: "Is it not rather irresponsible to talk about quitting India when there is no responsible Government at present in sight?" The very obvious question in reply is: if this is the achievement of 150 years of British rule in India, is it not in the interest of India that the British quit before the atmosphere is rendered even worse?

Their Real Desire

Lord Simon also, for understandable reasons, is desperate. Some time back he tried, very tearfully, to plead for the minorities, in which connection, his sorrow and anxiety allowed him to think only of poor Dr. Ambedkar. Having failed then, he has now fallen back on the constitutional position under the Government of India Act, according to which the Governor-General and Governors cannot, he insists, delegate their special powers and responsibilities to their governments. His point is that it is not possible to concede "Dominion Status" to the Interim Government by convention. From the strictly constitutional point of view, freedom itself is not possible at all. But where there is a will there is a way, and Lord Simon knows it. But the whole burden of the Tory cry is that if the British quit, India will be given over to chaos. Therefore, since, thanks to the British themselves, an agreement between all sections and interests is impossible, the British should rule over India for ever or at least for another 150 years.

UNPRECEDENTED LEAKAGE

S. S. L. C. Question Papers Sold At Two Annas Each: Examination Cancelled

MADRAS, March 18. (A.P.I.): The Secondary School Leaving Certificate examination which commenced throughout the Province yesterday has been cancelled owing to a widespread leakage of question papers.

A total of 43,800 students wrote the examination at 500 centres in the Presidency in the last two days. The examinations were scheduled to be held until this week-end.

The question of holding a substitute examination will be announced by the authorities as early as possible.

In the Madras Assembly today, a Muslim League member asked the Education Minister whether he was aware of the "grave situation created by the leakage of question papers set for the S.S.L.C. examination".

Mr. K. Bashyam, Law Minister in additional charge of Education portfolio, replied that he had heard of the leakage as he entered the House. He would, however, make inquiries and inform the House at a later stage.

Late in the evening the Educational authorities announced the cancellation of the examination.

It is alleged that all question papers set for the S.S.L.C. examination were sold clandestinely at two annas each.

It is said that in the past there has never been such a widespread leakage.

Story Of Natal Indians Cheering King

PIETERMARITZBURG, March 18, (Reuter): Over 1,000 Indians cheered, waved and shouted "God Save the King" today when the Royal train made a brief halt at Escourt, a town with 1,200 Indian inhabitants on its way to Pietermaritzburg, Capital of Natal Province.

Several young Indian girls in the crowd were dressed in red, white and blue. The Royal family took a brief walk outside the station.

Five days ago no space had been set aside for Indian spectators as there had been no request for it and a boycott of the King's visit was being urged.

At the last minute, however, Indians asked for some reserved space, which was filled completely.

RAG-PICKER TURNED MILLIONAIRE

Sells Scrap Metal To Germans And Amasses Huge Fortune

PARIS, March 18, (Reuter): Joseph Joanovici, a Rumanian ragpicker and millionaire now sought by the French police amassed 217,000,000,000 francs by selling French scrap metal and arms to Germans and obtained almost complete monopoly in export sales of the United States army surplus goods in France after the war, Socialist Minister of the Interior M. Edouard Depreux, disclosed at a press conference. Joanovici, 41-year-old "archcollaborator", as M. Depreux described him, disappeared some time ago when a warrant for his arrest was issued on charges of collaboration.

The French newspaper "Paris" asserts that the missing man is hiding in Paris. It also quotes his lawyer as saying "we shall be there for hearing and we shall be acquitted."

IN AID OF FREE NIGHT HIGH SCHOOL

The theatre-going public will be interested to know that Mr. Deryck Jefferies and Mr. Adi Marzban are producing and directing a play in 3 Arts called "The Ring Master" by Keith Winter, at the Sunderabai Hall, on Sunday 30th March and Sunday 6th April, at 6 p.m. The cast includes, such well-known players as, Silloo Seervai, Maki Seervai, Mae Dhondy, Amy Lavangia, Jehangoo Ankleseria, Minoo Davar, and Feroze Madan.

The entire proceeds of the play is to be donated, to the "Mother India Free Night High School". This school which was founded about seven years ago, is being conducted at the premises of the Esplanade School, Fort Bombay at night, where about 300 boys of the working class, such as peons, waiters, clerks, etc., are given free high school education, with all facilities provided free of charge.

Sjt. Sorab Patell, who is in charge of the A Ward Congress Committee and is secretary to the school, with Sjt. M. Y. Nuire, Vice President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee as president, are conducting the institution with the help of a committee of honorary workers.

Machine Tool Show

The 1947 Machine Tool Show, world's largest exposition of a single basic industry, will be held in Chicago from September 17 through 26, announced Herbert H. Pease, President of the National Machine Tool Builders' Association. The latest designs in metal-working machinery%new methods, new materials and new products—and every development that improves quality of durable-goods production—will be shown.

More Govt. Support For Indian Systems Of Medicine

Three Cut Motions Withdrawn In Bombay Assembly

Three cut motions, two relating to grants to Unani hospitals and teaching institutions and the third intended to raise a discussion on the administrative policy of hospitals in the mofussil were debated in the Bombay Legislative Assembly on Tuesday. All of them, were, however, withdrawn.

The House was debating a token cut to raise a discussion on the necessity of more asylums and facilities for treatment of lepers, when it rose for the day.

Two cut motions, one moved by Mr. Haji Noor Mahomed Ahmed and the second by Mr. A. H. Mirza were taken together. The Government has proposed to provide an amount of Rs. one lakh for payment of special non-recurring grants to Ayurvedic teaching institutions which have been accorded permanent recognition by the Board of Indian Systems of Medicine. The amount is to be distributed to the various institutions subject to the condition that the institution concerned spends an equivalent amount from its own funds, for new buildings and equipment.

It was this provision which attracted the cut motion of Mr. Haji Noor Mahomed Ahmed.

The motion by Mr. A. H. Mirza was more general in its terms and he pleaded for better support to the Unani system of medicine. In this connection, however, he made particular reference to a special provision of Rs. 1,78,545, being a recurrent item of expenditure to be incurred on subsidised Medical Practitioners' Centres in the Province, as an item of Post-War Development programme. Under this scheme it is proposed to open 52 Allopathic, 71 Ayurvedic and two Unani centres.

Mr. Mirza who was supported by Mr. M. M. A. Bhaijee and Mr. A. A. Kittur, said that the Unani system had been neglected for 200 years and more. It had survived this neglect because of its vitality. It was very desirable that this indigenous system should be encouraged and supported so that the science may not altogether die out.

The cut motions were opposed by Dr. B. C. Lagu and Dr. H. V. Desai. Dr. Lagu argued that it would be far better to give scholarships to individual students and send them to the Tybbbia College at Delhi than to support the Unani School at Bombay, which had not done as well as it should have during the last eight years of its life. While commending the grant of one lakh for the development of institutions dealing in Indian systems of medicine, he pointed out that there were eight Ayurvedic Colleges in the Presidency with hospitals attached. These were getting really very meagre annual grants from Government whereas the Unani School was getting a generous grant of Rs. 5,000 every year.

PUBLIC RESPONSE TO UNANI POOR

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Public Health said that the grant of one lakh was really meant for both Ayurvedic and Unani. It was brought on the budget very late and the word Unani was somehow omitted. He apologised for this mistake.

He recalled how the last Congress Ministry had taken the first step to get recognition for the practitioners of indigenous systems of medicine. At first, Government had given scholarships to students and sent them to Delhi. Later efforts were made to establish a school of Unani medicine, which unfortunately did not seem to have caught on. The number of students coming to the institutions was very poor. So was the method of teaching. He understood, however, things had improved recently. He promised to visit the institution again and see what more could be done. Meanwhile the annual grant of Rs. 5,000, when compared to grants to Ayurvedic institutions was quite generous.

As far as future grants were concerned the Minister stated that a committee had been appointed with wide terms of reference. Among other things this committee was to suggest the basis on which recurrent and non-recurrent grants should be made to Ayurvedic and Unani institutions.

As far as the inadequate representation of Unani practitioners in the scheme of subsidised practitioners was concerned, Dr. Gilder said that very much depended on the desires and initiative of local people. People of each group of villages for which a subsidised practitioner was assigned were generally asked to indicate their preference. And then the Local Board had to bear one fifth of the expenditure, the remaining four fifths being borne by Government. At present there were actually 93 Allopaths, 92 Ayurvedic Physicians and 11 Unani Hakims in the field. Only the demand for Allopaths could not be fully met for want of personnel.

OVERHAULING HEALTH AND MEDICAL DEPARTMENTS

Moving a cut motion to discuss the Government's policy in the administration of hospitals, Dr. A. D. Patel called for a thorough overhaul of the medical and health departments. He said that administration of public health in districts should not be left in the hands of local bodies and Government should take over the responsibility. Dr. Patel suggested the amalgamation of the Public Health and Medical Departments for administrative efficiency. A Provincial Health Advisory Committee should be formed with the Health Minister and medical practitioners from the mofussil as members. He also asked for the opening of new centres for the training of nurses in every district. In every District hospital at least 250 beds should be provided, besides well-equipped maternity wards.

Mr. Babubhai Patel, opposing the cut motion said that expansion of hospitals in the districts was needed. A district for this purpose should be divided into two or three parts. The central hospital should be situated in a central part of the district and cottage hospitals in other parts.

Dr. B. C. Lagu also opposed the motion and suggested that the Public Health Department and the Medical Department should be amalgamated so that maximum benefit could be derived from the money spent on them. He pleaded that official medical men should not be allowed to carry on private practice.

Mr. H. V. Desai and Dr. Antrolikar also opposed the cut motion.

NEED FOR MORE WOMEN MEDICAL OFFICERS.

Mrs. Sumatibai Gore speaking against the motion said that from mortality figures it appeared that women and children needed medical help most. In the cottage hospitals which the Government intended to start, at least one of the two medical officers should be a woman; and more facilities should be provided for the treatment of women and children.

Mrs. Tarabai Modak remarked that epidemics were mostly due to uncleanliness and that teaching of cleanliness to the people was more important than the mere provision of medical facilities.

Mr. A. S. Gandhi and Mr. A. A. Kittur supported the cut motion.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder replying to the debate said that the establishment of cottage hospitals in various districts would in the course of time proceed apace.

Opinion as to the desirability of continuing the subsidised medical centres was divided. Some members said that the scheme was a failure and some that it was a success, but the number of those who held the latter view was overwhelming.

There were certain difficulties in the way of disallowing official medical personnel to carry on private practice. But if it was the wish of the House that it should be done then means would have to be found for stopping that practice.

Government were anxious to increase accommodation in the hospitals and had made provision for it. But Government could not implement the recommendations made by the Bhore Committee. That would exhaust all the revenues at the disposal of the department.

It was a peculiar thing that nurses in Gujarat hospitals were Travancorians. It was because girls of this province were not coming forward for this profession. Government, however, had taken steps for the training of nurses in the district hospitals.

COPING WITH EPIDEMICS.

To cope with epidemics the Government had set up a proper machinery. It included mobile hospitals, Medical Centres and Epidemic Preventive Centres. As soon as notification of the outbreak of some epidemic was received from some place the epidemic preventive squad was at once dispatched there and necessary action taken. The mobile hospitals consisted of 50 to 60 beds.

Government were appointing a special officer to investigate conditions prevailing in this province and advise medical aid.

The cut motion was withdrawn.

LEPER ASYLUMS.

Dr. M. N. Natu moved a cut motion to the total voted demand of them for improving the standard of Rs. 95,000 for Leper Asylums to discuss the policy of the Government in this respect. The general opinion, he said, was that leprosy was increasing in the province and the Government had taken no steps to fight it. A leprosy Act must be passed in order to stop further inroad of lepers from other provinces into this province and those who had already come here should be sent back to their respective provinces.

ECHO OF DERAILMENT OF GANDHIJI'S SPECIAL TRAIN

The derailment of Gandhiji's special train at Neral in July last was the subject of a short notice question by Mr. S. L. Karandikar in the Legislative Assembly to-day. Asked whether it was a fact that some bullets and ammunitions were discovered by Mr. Baindur, the Railway Investigation Officer, during the investigation of the accident, Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, replied that the Sub-Inspector of Police, who was the first to visit the scene of accident, had attached one live rifle cartridge from the spot. To a further question whether these bullets and ammunitions resembled those which were removed from H.M.S. "Akbar" during the R. I. N. Mutiny in February 1946, the Home Minister said that enquiries were being made on this point.

RETRENCHMENT IN STAFF

Most of the temporary posts sanctioned directly in connection with the war were terminated by November 1, 1945, or shortly thereafter, the only important exception being the temporary police establishment sanctioned for war purposes for maintenance of law and order, said Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister, replying to a question by Mr. A. A. Patel on the reduction in superior and inferior staff in Government service. The retrenchment of these temporary posts had resulted in a saving of about Rs. 19 lakhs per annum, replied the Minister to another question by the same member. The temporary posts still in existence were those which had been continued for special periods after scrutiny in the Finance Department, he stated.

Answering further questions, Mr. Mehta said that the question of retrenchment in the Civil Supplies Department was recently examined by a Departmental Committee and its recommendations had so far resulted in a total saving of Rs. 9.6 lakhs per annum. Further measures of retrenchment would be considered on receipt of the recommendations of the Committee appointed by the Government recently with Dr. Jivraj N. Mehta as Chairman to enquire into the means of providing an efficient and economical administrative machinery.

RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS

Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, replying to a question by Mr. P. P. Gokhale, said that the Government had so far released 289 prisoners who were convicted for political offences and had ordered the withdrawal of political cases pending against 290 individuals who were either under trial or absconding. Government was also considering the question of releasing a few other convicted political workers and of withdrawing the cases pending against a few individuals.

MOLOTOV DEMANDS ANNULMENT OF ANGLO-U.S. ECONOMIC FUSION

Accuses Western Powers Of Disregarded Clauses Of Potsdam Agreement

MOSCOW, March 18 (Reuter): M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, formally demanded that economic fusion of the Anglo-United States Zones in Germany should be annulled as an infringement of the Potsdam Agreement.

He presented the demand last night to his three colleagues on the Council of Foreign Ministers now entering the second week of their talks on the future of Germany and Austria.

Earlier, the British Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, had declared that the arrangement must stand until a satisfactory agreement was reached for economic unity of all Germany. M. Molotov also renewed Russia's claim to 2,500,000 reparations from Germany and proposed a 'Big Four' control of the Ruhr.

M. Molotov accused all the three Western Powers of disregarding the economic clauses of the Potsdam Agreement. His main complaints were: (1) That the British had taken over the Ruhr coal and steel industries. (2) That France had severed the Saar from Germany. (3) That Britain had broken the principle of economic unity of Germany by the fusion agreement.

Mr. George Marshall (United States) accused Russia of maintaining on the German soil Soviet-owned group of industries in violation of the economic principles of the Potsdam Agreement.

Mr. Bevin stated flatly that the British people could not be expected to assume further burdens in Germany.

Mr. Marshall similarly declared that the United States could not accept unified Germany under any system which would mean that American people would in effect pay reparations to an ally.

Declaring that the present reparations plan was unworkable, Mr. Bevin proposed: Revision of reparations deliveries from current production; upguarding of the permitted level of German industry; a new final list of German plants and equipment to be removed to be completed by an Allied Control Council in Berlin by August 15; and speed-up of reparations deliveries as soon as the new list is ready.

Mr. Bevin is expected to give his views on the achievement of economic unity of Germany after M. Bidault (France) speaks to-morrow.

BIDAULT'S DEMANDS

MOSCOW, March 18. (A.P.A.): French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault, renewing France's demand for separation of the Ruhr, the Rhineland and the Saar from Germany, told the Council of Foreign Ministers to-day that Allied controls must be retained over Germany long after a peace settlement is concluded.

Bidault also withheld agreement from the American, British and Soviet proposals for raising the level of German industry.

The United Kingdom and United States delegations had asked yesterday that the level of industry fixed by the Control Council be raised to increase the volume of German exports and insure a better equilisation in the balance of payments (export-import programme). The Soviet delegation had declared itself in favour of raising this industrial level to enable a plan of reparations from current production.

MOSCOW, March 17 (Reuter): Mr. Ernest Bevin's reply to M. Vyacheslav Molotov's proposal to discuss China at the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers' Conference here has been delivered, authoritative quarters disclosed tonight. Details are not yet available but it is believed to be parallel to yesterday's reply given by Mr. George Marshall, the United States Secretary of State, who refused to join in any discussion on China but agreed to an exchange of written information.

U.S. Protest Against Rebel Groups In Hungary

Note To U. S. S. R. Asks For Joint Investigation Of Hungarian Politics

WASHINGTON, March 17 (Reuter): The United States authorities have informed the Russian representative on the Allied Control Council for Hungary that in accordance with the Yalta Agreement, Britain, United States and Russia are obliged to carry out a joint investigation of the political conditions in Hungary.

The State Department here confirmed a report from Budapest to-day that the United States representative on the Control Council had handed the Soviet representative a new note of protest but declined to release the text of the note until further communication is received from the United States representative on the Control Council.

It is learned in official quarters, however, that the note accused the minority groups in Hungary of trying to seize power by resorting to extra-constitutional tactics.

Declaring that such tactics are endangering the continuance of democracy in Hungary, the note rejects the Soviet contention that investigation by the Yalta powers would be an improper interference with the legal jurisdiction of Hungarian courts. The note also questions the fairness of Hungarian investigation of the alleged plot to overthrow the Hungarian Republic and restore a regime similar to that of Admiral Horthy, former Regent of Hungary.

The United States had protested to the Soviet Government against what was described as Russian interference in the internal affairs of Hungary and against the arrest by the Soviet Military authorities of Bela Kovacs former General Secretary of the Hungarian small holders' party.

A British note, supporting the United States proposal for a three-power inquiry into the arrest of Kovacs and the alleged anti-Republican plot, was delivered to the Soviet Government and the Control Council in Hungary on March 8. The Russians rejected both the protests.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"Unknown to most people, he (Viscount Mountbatten) is a skilled student of politics and international affairs. He is well versed in political philosophy and possesses one of the finest private Marxist libraries."
—Press Item.

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The latest declaration by that Philosopher-Statesman of India, the (thank heavens) one and only Sir C P. Ramaswamy Iyer is: "The Travancore State was an independent kingdom in 1795, and at the end of June 1948, Travancore will revert to her status of 1795."

That is to say, Travancore, under the brilliant locomotive leadership of Sir C. P. R. I., will progress 150 years back in June 1948.

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Explaining the point further presumably for the benefit of ignorant and thick headed people, specially Indian politicians, Sir C. P. said: "Travancore was never conquered or overrun by the British. Although the rulers of Travancore conceded certain powers of advice in the final Treaty of Friendship in 1805, there was no question of conquest or assumption of suzerainty."

Only Paramountcy?

But there need be no quarrel about Sir C P.'s brilliant argument if the present rulers of Travancore concede the place occupied by the British to the people of Travancore.

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Swooping on the Congress resolution which concedes certain rights to "areas", Sir C. P. says: "If that is the state of a province.....then the case with regard to States is 'a fortiori' and is unassailable....."

Quite, quite, since, you must admit, a Dewan and his Ruler are precisely the same things in respect of a State as the representatives and people of a province in respect of that province.

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Sir C. P.'s performance, combining as it does, constitution, political philosophy, history and unassailable logic, has convinced us so thoroughly that we feel it to be a moral duty to this country to start a "Back To 1795" Movement all over India in order to overwhelm the quitting British with the demand that they should transfer power in June 1948 to India of—yes, 1795.

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The Punajb Muslim League leader, Mian Mumtaz Daulatana, who has been on a visit to Mr. M. A. Jinnah, has declared that the Congress Working Committee resolution (inviting the League) "was hemmed in by many limitations. It did not provide the necessary flexibility (sic, sic) to the negotiators."

Add the above to Mr. Chundrigar's "snatches of private conversation" at Juhu and you don't need to conjecture as to the dramatic 'denouement' at the next meeting of the League Working Committee.

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In a letter to the hospitable "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post", Lord Simon propounds a "vital" constitutional point to the effect that Governors and the Governor-General positively must exercise their special powers themselves.

We sympathise with Lord Simon. He has personal reasons to feel bitter over what is—er—threatening to happen in June 1948.

Ready To Lead Arabs In Fight For Freedom

BY SAM SOUKI
(United Press of America Staff Correspondent.)

CAIRO, (U.P.A.): Fawzi El Kawakji, former commander of the Arab forces in the Palestine revolt between 1936 and 1939, is at the disposal of the Arab people and would, if requested, fight any power standing in the way of Arab freedom. The Arab leader had been in Russian occupied Germany and from there made his way to Paris where he boarded a Norwegian plane to Cairo.

GANDHIJI BEGINS BIHAR TOUR

MASAURHI, March 18. (A. P. I.): Mahatma Gandhi's tour of the riot-affected areas in the interior of Bihar actually began this morning.

Masaurhi a thriving village shared a great deal of the brunt of riots and the railway station, Taregna, it may be recalled, was one of the targets of the mob.

Punctually at 6 a.m. Mahatma Gandhi came out of the local school building, where he stayed the night.

Accompanied by Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan he started for the affected parts of the village on foot. Crowds of men and women had begun collecting in the school compound at dawn and by the time Mahatma Gandhi came out the number swelled to some hundreds.

As he walked into the thickly populated areas of the villages the crowds went beyond control and with them about a hundred police constables and fifty Congress volunteers rushed towards Mahatma Gandhi for 'darshan'. He visited a few Muslim houses whose inmates had evacuated during the riots.

MUSLIM GENTLEMAN BURSTS INTO TEARS

One Muslim gentleman burst into tears and sobbed like a child while describing the happenings during the riots to Mahatma Gandhi in front of a mosque. Mahatma Gandhi was deeply moved and the sight was reminiscent of his visit to Hindu houses in Noakhali and Tipperah where men and women in many villages fell on his feet and sobbed. Mahatma Gandhi heard the tales with silence, while the crowd all round him stampeded and raised cloud of dust.

Mahatma Gandhi walked nearly three miles visiting the various Mahals of the village and then came back to his place in a car at 9 a.m.

MUSLIM LEADERS WITH MAHATMA

Mr. Najimuddin of the Majiat-ul-Momineen, Maulana Nurullah of the Jamiat-ul-Ulima, and Mr. Makhdum Shah of the Majlis-e-Ahrar are accompanying Mahatma Gandhi in his tour of the riot-affected areas of the Province at his special request, it is learnt.

TOUR PROGRAMME

PATNA, March 18. (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi's tour of Patna district, the second stage of which he began yesterday by visiting Masaurhi will be very extensive according to further programme now drawn up.

The second part of the tour will end on March 22 when he returns to Patna. The third, fourth and fifth parts of the tour will cover the whole of Patna district and part of Gaya district the lowest gap being from March 31 to April 7 when he will cover the Bihar sub-division of Patna district.

The third stage of Mahatma Gandhi's tour will commence on March 26 and cover parts of Gaya district beginning with Jahanabad sub-division. He will return to Patna on March 28 and after two days' halt here begin the fourth stage of his tour on March 31. The fifth stage of his tour lasting from April 10 to 13 will cover the Barh sub-division in the eastern areas of Patna district.

During his tour Mahatma Gandhi will travel both by train and motor.

NAGPADA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

It Serves That Life May Be Enriched

Mr. N. J. Patel, Director, Nagpada Neighbourhood House, Bombay, writes:—

Just 20 years ago, on 12 February 1927 the Nagpada Neighbourhood House was opened to provide a centre where men, women and children of all castes and creeds can come together in friendly fashion as neighbours—can play together, work together and attempt to solve common neighbourhood problems.

We have staked much on simple friendliness, and in times of civic trial such as the periodical communal riots which Bombay seems to experience, we have seen our faith justified.

We have seen a section of the city which was rapidly disintegrating, began to achieve civic consciousness. We have seen infant death rate, which was for years the highest in the city, reduced, by dint of constant effort and education, to a figure lower than that of the city average. We have seen women, who were practically prisoners in their homes, experiencing the joys of play, unlocking the treasures of knowledge and learning such useful arts as sewing and homemaking. We have trained young men and women for better business positions. We have heard hundreds of cases of family troubles and have had some hand in their solution. We have given men new hope through our employment service. We have returned workmen to the new day's toil recreated, in the best sense of the word.

The House entirely depends for its maintenance on public support. Contributions in any size are welcome.

Tariff Board's Questionnaire

The Indian Tariff Board's questionnaire relating to the industries, viz., (i) enamel ware, (ii) small tools (including twist drills), (iii) wire heads and (iv) batteries for motor vehicles referred to the Board in the Government of India, Department of Commerce, Resolution No. 218-T(55)/46 dated the 15th March 1947, is ready for issue to the manufacturers of the above-mentioned articles and others who may be interested therein. Copies can be obtained from the Secretary, Indian Tariff Board, Contractor Building (3rd Floor), Nicol Road, Fort, Bombay.

Separate questionnaires for importers and consumers are also ready and intending parties may please specify the particular industry and the particular questionnaire for which they are applying.

Replies to the questionnaire should be sent so as to reach the Board's office, not later than the 15th May 1947.

Central Assembly

Tata-I.C.I. Combine For Dyestuffs

Manu Subedar's Anxiety About Controlling Interest

NEW DELHI, March 18 (A. P. I.): The Food Secretary, Mr. K. L. Punjabi, said in the Central Assembly today in reply to Pandit S. K. D. Paliwal that 182,000 tons of wheat, 20,000 tons of flour, 45,000 tons of maize, 5,000 tons of millets, 83,000 tons of barley, 183,000 tons of milo and 130,000 tons of rice were being shipped to India during the first quarter of 1947. Continuous representations had been and were being made to countries which had surplus wheat, and in respect of other grains, we had got buyers buying grains for us where such grains could be obtained in the open market. We were carrying on certain negotiations the details of which it would be contrary to public interest to divulge at this stage. As regards rice, the bulk of our allotment was from South-East Asia and was supplied to us according to our share and in accordance with the availabilities. We were making arrangements to obtain paddy from Indonesia this year also.

Mr. Panjabi said in reply to Prof. N. G. Ranga that the amount of subsidy for food from April 1, 1946 to March 31, 1947 was estimated at Rs. 26.59 crores. The cereal-wise distribution of the amount was: wheat and wheat products Rs. 2.63 crores, rice 4.77 crores and maize, millets, barley, etc. Rs. 13.19 crores.

Mr. Panjabi said in answer to Diwan Chaman Lal that Government were satisfied that the purchases had been made at the best price possible.

Diwan Chaman Lal: Is he aware that purchases were made in the Argentine at 92 shillings and later on they were obtained at 72 shillings?

Ans.: I want notice.

Diwan Chaman Lal: Is he aware that the High Commissioner for India in London and the Trade Commissioner for India in Buenos Aires were competing against each other without knowing it?

Ans.: I want notice.

Sir Cowasji Jehangir: Is it a fact that food was brought from other countries under a reciprocal arrangement to sell them some products of India, and in that case, were those products sold on the same basis on which food was sold to us?

Ans.: This is a large question covering transactions. I can give the information if notice is given.

Mr. M. P. Pai, Secretary, Industries and Supplies, said in a written reply to Seth Govind Das that some offers of supply had been received from suppliers of Russian newsprint, and these had been passed on to the trade. It was understood that orders had been placed by some firms for Russian newsprint and others were under negotiation.

Mr. Pai said in reply to Mr. Manu Subedar that he understood that some negotiations were in progress for the formation of a Tata-I.C.I. combine for manufacturing dyestuffs in India but beyond that Government had no information. The Government of India had no financial interest in this set up or in any other scheme for the manufacture of dyestuffs in India.

Mr. Subedar: Do Government propose to give an assurance to this House that the controlling interest in this enterprise in India will be both directly and indirectly in Indian hands?

Ans.: Government will bear this in mind whenever it is possible to shape it in that manner.

M.L.A.s' URGE STATE TRADING

NEW DELHI, March 18. (A.P.I.): The Central Assembly to-day resumed the debate on the Commerce Member's bill to continue for a limited period powers to prohibit or control imports and exports, as reported by the Select Committee.

Mr. Vadilal Lallubhai suggested that the State should undertake export of textiles, which would bring them good revenue.

Mr. Manu Subedar agreed that the present bill was of great importance to the country, in view of the forthcoming Geneva Conference and the Indian Delegation's hands would be strengthened.

STATE MUST EXPORT AND IMPORT.

Mr. Subedar referred to the grave production crisis in the country and said that unless the Government had powers to control imports and exports, the crisis could not be met effectively. He suggested that the State should now undertake export and import on its own account in bulk on a barter system. This would bring the Government a good amount.

Mr. Subedar wanted the Government to set up a semi-official body which would advise the Government in regard to the operation of controls. Referring to corruption, he said he knew the case of a person who had an export licence for fifty tons of alluminium utensils. The licensee had no knowledge of the trade, nor was he ever an exporter. It should be the duty of the Government to stop such scandals.

Dr. Ziauddin Ahmad urged the appointment of a Fiscal Commission in order to advise us about the most economic use of our existing resources.

COMMERCE MEMBER'S REPLY.

The Commerce Member, Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, referred in the course of his reply to suggestions in favour of State trading and disclosed that the Standing Advisory Committee before which he had placed the matter had come to the conclusion that we must first try a system which came midway between state trading and private trading in regard to the export of oil and oil seeds, bones and bone grist and soap. The suggestion was that Government should invite tenders—through advertisements in the press specifying the quantity to be exported and the destination—from persons who wanted to have the right to export. Much would depend on the result of the experiment which the Government proposed to carry out. It was possible that if the experiment was successful, and Government could get substantial revenue out of this, it might also be tried in other fields. "It may be that if the tender system is not found to work well, we may have to go wholehog and adopt the system of state trading as has been suggested here about certain commodities. That is a new ground we are trying to cover and we shall try an experiment in that direction".

There was a time during the last session when suggestions were made by several members to liberalise our policy regarding imports of certain commodities which were in short supply here

The policy was liberalised, with the result that we now had too much of certain commodities, like fountain pen or art silk. "Because Government have these powers, they have been able to say that so far as the future import of these articles is concerned, they will be completely stopped. But so far as it was felt that there was a famine in the country, prices were high and black market prices were charged on these articles, certain liberal imports were allowed. So it is a question of policy which had to be determined according to circumstances every time."

Mr. Chundrigar said that he and the Industrial Member were considering a scheme for the import of certain quantities of those items of steel which were badly required by the people here, plain sheets, corrugated sheets, bars and so on.

The House then took up consideration of amendments to the various clauses.

Mr. M. A. F. Hirtzel had not concluded his speech, when the House adjourned till to-morrow.

"GIVE US BACK OUR LANDS"

Warlis Meet Members Of Partially Excluded Area Committee

(From Our Correspondent.)

DAHANU, March 16.

"Give us back our lands; give us free timber to build our houses; give us schools and you will see that we send our children there in large numbers; give us hospitals; we shall send our own Warli brothers to the District Local Boards and the Provincial Assembly; let us have all this", declared a half dozen bold Warlis, who took courage in hands, despite the present reign of terror, when they were called upon by the members of the Partially Excluded Areas Committee to state their grievances, freely and frankly, at Talasari—a village in Umbergon Taluka.

The members of the Committee, headed by the veteran social worker Thakkar Bappa arrived at Umbergon yesterday and from there motored to Talasari village, where the Adiwasi Sewa Mandal is running an Ashram. On their way at Wevaji they saw a farm house which was burn to ashes by the strikers during the last strike. At Talasari, they had informal discussions with some non-officials and workers of the Adiwasi Sewa Mandal. Later they met about one thousand Warlis, who were addressed by Mr. Jaipalsing. He introduced the members of the delegation to them. He said that three of the members belonged to the tribal areas. The Adiwasis immediately responded to his appeal to state their grievances and catalogued a number of these for their information.

A PATHETIC SPECTACLE.

The party later visited Bapgon, where they visited Adiwasi huts. They saw the food that the Warlis eat and showed great interest in the cottage industries which are in force here. They also met some Katkaris, who work as charcoal makers. They are poorer than the Warlis. Thakkar Bappa was moved to see a Katkari woman, with two small babes in her hand, weeping at the loss of her husband. He consoled her and gave her a few rupees. The members had tea at Kasa, a village in Dahanu Taluka, and left for Bombay the same evening. The district officers accompanied them. Mr. D. N. Wandrekar, Parliamentary Secretary to the Government of Bombay, represented the Government.

HANSA MEHTA IN DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 18. (A.P.I.): Mrs. Hansa Mehta, after attending the United Nations Commission on Human Rights and the U.N.O. Social and Economic Conference arrived in Delhi this evening.

DADOO AND AICKER AT DELHI.

Dr. Y. M. Dadoo and Mr. G. M. Naicker, South African Indian leaders, arrived in Delhi this evening to attend the Asian Relations Conference. They are expected to leave for Patna to-morrow to meet Mahatma Gandhi.

U. S. FLEET SQUADRON TO VISIT GREEK PORT

ATHENS, March 18. (Reuter): A squadron of United States fleet will visit Piraeus in the next few days.

The squadron will comprise 12 ships, including an aircraft-carrier, and will also visit the port of Suda on the island of Crete.

PUNJAB VICTIMS' RELIEF FUND

B. P. C. C. Calls For Liberal Contributions

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

An appeal to the citizens of Bombay to contribute liberally to the Punjab Relief Fund and help the victims of the communal riots was issued by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee by a resolution passed at a meeting of the Committee this afternoon.

The B.P.C.C. expressed "its profound horror at the communal orgy" in Punjab and sanctioned a contribution of Rs. 100 as a token of its sympathy for the sufferers.

Contributions are to be sent either directly to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Treasurer of the A.I.C.C., 1 Aurangzeb Road, New Delhi, or to the Treasurer, B.P.C.C., Congress House, Bombay 4, who will forward the collections to the Treasurer of the A.I.C.C.

STRIKERS KICK LEGISLATORS

Sydney Dockers In Action

SYDNEY, March 18. (Reuter): Two Councillors were injured and several other persons kicked and beaten here today when waterside workers interrupted a meeting of protest against the holding up of food ships by the six weeks-old dockers strike.

Legislative Councillor for New South Wales Mr. Bridges was attacked as soon as he opened the meeting. The speaker's dais was overturned and Mr. Bridges was struck as he lay on the ground. He received facial injuries.

Mr. Cramer, a Country Party Councillor received injuries in the melee, which followed the dockers' attack.

Waterside workers were said to be

REBELS HOLD PART OF PARAGUAY

BUENOS AIRES, March 18, (Reuter): The entire north-eastern corner of Paraguay, bounded in the east by the river Paraguay, north and east by Brazil frontier and south roughly by the line of the river Ypane, is after eleven days of civil war firmly held by rebel troops seeking to overthrow the Morinigo Government in Asuncion.

It is officially admitted in Asuncion that rebel forces swelled from the original 600 men to 3,000, while Concepcion claimed 30,000 are bearing arms against the Morinigo Government.

U.S. NOT READY FOR WAR TILL 1948

WASHINGTON, March 18. (A.P.A.) If the United States is challenged tomorrow, it could not fight a full-scale war before the end of the year. That was evident last night in answers of military planners to questions about the State of the U. S. Interim Army—the force that exists between the late war and the future time when peace treaties are signed and the post-war army evolves.

The planning for any future mobilisation day contemplates a total effective force of 13,000,000.

Left over from wartime production was a fleet of about 3,000 B-29 Superfortresses. Deliveries have started on the new B-26 bombers built to carry 10,000 pounds of bombs for 10,000 miles, but deliveries have been so limited that they amount to a mere token output.

One Killed In Bareilly Clash

BAREILLY, March 18. (Reuter): One person was killed and twenty were injured, two seriously, in Bareilly city this afternoon when brickbats were thrown at the annual Chaitra Ram Lila procession which was passing through Koharapur. There was also a clash and the police fired shots in the air to disperse the rioters. One armed assailant, who was injured by revolver shots fired by the police, was caught on the spot.

MILITARY AID TO VIET NAM UNLIKELY

Burmese Spokesman Complains Of Transport Difficulties

RANGOON, March 18. (Reuter): The prospects of sending military aid from Burma or India to Viet Nam (Indo-Chinese Republican) forces was now very remote, said Bo Yan Naing, former Colonel in the Japanese sponsored war-time Burma Defence Army who sometime ago announced the decision to lead an Indo-Burmese expeditionary force to help Viet Nam.

Bo Yan Naing revealed that the Government of Burma had not replied to his request for transfort arrangements for his party to Viet Nam while the Government of India's response to a similar request by Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, Bengal Congress leader, was not encouraging.

According to Bo Yan Naing, Pandit Nehru informed Mr. Bose that in a matter involving foreign relations, Government must observe "rules and decorum".

The India Government, however, was considering transport facilities for an Indian Medical Mission to Viet Nam.

BULGARIA TO CONFISCATE PRIVATE GOLD

ISTANBUL, March 18. (U.P.A.): Reliable reports from Bulgaria said to-day that the Bulgarian Government is considering the confiscation of all privately owned gold and jewels in the country through a decree which will be issued soon.

TROUBLE PERSISTS IN ATTOCK DISTRICT

LAHORE, March 18 (A.P.I.): Pindigheb and Fathejung Tehsils in Attock District remain disturbed and even Talagang has now been affected, says an official announcement this evening. Large parties of troops and armed police are moving throughout the whole area.

The situation is much easier and under control in the district of Mianwali.

Rawalpindi itself continues quiet and disturbances if any are confined to the Kahuta Tehsil.

Everything is reported quiet in all the districts of Multan division. The situation in Amritsar is quiet. Jullundur, Hoshiarpur, Kangra, Gurdaspur, Sheikhupura, Gujranwala, Ambala, Simla, Karnal, Hissar and Gurgaon report all quiet.

LAHORE HARTAL

Hindu shops in certain areas of Lahore are observing 'hartal' as a protest against the arrest of Deshpande and this, not unnaturally, says the announcement, has added to the general uneasiness in Lahore.

FIRE IN LAHORE

The Punjab Government in a Communique issued at 5 p.m. to-day on the situation in the Province says:

'During the night of March 17/18 in Lahore a fire broke out among some stalls near the Wazirkhan Mosque Chowk inside Delhi Gate. The fire brigade was quickly on the scene, but some 11 stalls in all were burnt. Investigation so far points to the fact that the fire was accidental and due to a spark carried by the extremely high wind that blew all last night."

RUMOUR CAUSES PANIC

In Rohtak tension continues and rumours repeatedly give rise to false alarms. At the cattle fair at Jaazgarh rumour that the neighbouring village had been attacked by surrounding villages caused panic but when an armed police party and a Magistrate rushed to the spot, they found that the rumour was completely baseless.

In Shahpur two cases of attempted arson have been reported from Bhera. The night curfew has been extended for another week in Sargodha and Khushab.

ATTACK ON POLICE OFFICIAL

In Mianwali an Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police and a soldier travelling by train from Bannu to Mari Indus were attacked by a mob at Kamar Machians railway station and were removed for treatment to the military hospital at Mari Indus.

Deputy Commissioners in the Districts affected have been asked to collect and submit information about pensioners, including persons holding Honorary Commissions Zildars, Inamkhors, Lambardars, Jagirdars and persons with land grants in the colonies who have taken part in the disturbances or have not rendered proper help with a view to withdrawing all pensions, honorary ranks, grants and colony lands. Orders have issued to suspend and dismiss all persons in receipt of Inams, Pachotras, etc. who have misbehaved.

Demand For Martial Law In Pindi

NEW DELHI, March 18 (A.P.I.): A delegation of the U. P. Sikhs led by Sardar Parshottam Singh Sethi met Sardar Baldev Singh, Defence Member, Interim Government, to-day and urged on him the necessity of imposing Martial Law in Rawalpindi and other worst affected areas of the Punjab and to institute an impartial inquiry into the riots.

The Defence Member, it is learnt, assured the deputationists that everything possible was being done to protect the lives and property of the minorities residing in Rawalpindi and other areas of the Punjab.

PINDI POST OFFICE CLOSED

Kahuta (Rawalpindi) post office has been re-opened but the telegraph branch remains closed, says a Press Communique. Mail communication does not exist in certain areas in the interior of Rawalpindi and Jullundur districts. Telegrams to and from offices in the Punjab and N.W.F.P. are liable to serious delay.

DEAD BODIES ROTTING IN MANDRA STREETS

LAHORE, March 17 (A.P.I.): Sardar Harbhajan Singh Ahluwalia, President, Punjab Provincial Youth Congress, on his return after an extensive tour of Rawalpindi District where he had gone with a batch of Youth Congress volunteers for relief work told the A.P.I. that not a single village remains unaffected by communal disturbances in Rawalpindi District. The trouble is further spreading to Attock and Jehlum Districts as well.

No sign of life was visible in Mandra town which had been completely gutted and where dead bodies were still rotting on the streets.

Between Gujarkhan and Rawalpindi a distance of 25 miles, Sardar Harbhan Singh Ahluwalia said, he counted thirty fires burning in various villages while travelling by the Frontier Mail.

Mr. Ahluwalia said that the number of refugees at 'Pindi camp was over 10,000 and was fast swelling after Sardar Baldev Singh and Pandit Nehru's visit because the military was now getting more active in the rural areas. There was not enough accommodation for refugees and at least 1,000 of them had to sleep in open ground.

Youth Congress volunteers who had taken over most of the duties from the military in the refugee camp at 'Pindi had been working for 16 to 20 hours a day distributing cloth, medicines, soap, oil and combs to the riot-stricken people. Another batch of Youth Congress volunteers had proceeded to Gujarkhan to organise relief work in the refugee camp where some 3,000 people had taken shelter.

Sardar Harbhajan Singh Ahluwalia who visited several villages with military escort summed up the condition of the riot-stricken minorities as appalling and said "Noakhali pales into insignificance before the butchery and horrors of Rawalpindi."

He further said that trouble was spreading in Jhelum District as well where Dhudial, a stronghold of the Sikhs, had been gutted after a six-hour battle.

Nishtar Warns Muslims

MULTAN, March 17. (A. P. I.): Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar, Communications Member, Interim Government, accompanied by Mr. Siddique Ali Khan, Chief Salar, Muslim League National Guards, Malik Feroz Khan Noon and Sardar Shaukat Hayat Khan, arrived here this evening by air from Lahore.

Addressing a large gathering of Muslims at Maj. Ashiq Hussain's house Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar exhorted them to maintain peace despite provocation from non-Muslims.

"We have the great ideal of Pakistan before us", he said, "and a minor wrong step may mar our progress in that direction. I have come to warn you that today we are on the threshold of Pakistan and to fully achieve our goal we must win confidence of the minorities".

He asked every Muslim to act as a self-appointed envoy of peace. Mr. Feroze Khan Noon and Sardar Shaukat Hayat Khan aols addressed the gathering.

Bhopatkar's Telegram To Punjab Governor

NEW DELHI, March 18, (A. P. I.): Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, in a telegram of the Governor of the Punjab urges upon His Excellency to withdraw the orders served on himself and two other leading Hindu Mahasabha leaders recently banning their entry into the Punjab.

"Our sole desire", Mr. Bhopatkar says, "is to observe situation and organise relief."

"We are most anxious to avoid new complications. Our next step must depend on your decision", he adds.

JAI PRAKASH VISITS PUNJAB.

LAHORE, March 18, (A. P. I.): Mr. Jai Prakash Narain who reached Lahore this morning to study the communal situation in the Province visited Amritsar today. He was accompanied by Munshi Ahmad Din and a dozen other Socialist workers.

Escorted by about 200 Ahrar volunteers, the Socialist leader visited both Hindu and Muslim localities affected during the riots

Mr. Jai Prakash Narain also saw Dr. Saif-ud-Din Kitchlew President of the Punjab P. C. C., who was injured during the recent rioting in Multan.

TARA SINGH CHALLENGES MAMDOT AND NOON

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ration held on February 16 which were conducted without a quorum was null and void and only those items of the minutes could be confirmed which were disposed of when there was a quorum.

Immediately after the ruling, the non-Muslim members of the Citizens Party, the only opposition party in the Lahore Corporation staged a walk-out and sent in their resignations.

Earlier, before the meeting commenced, Nawabzada Zulfikarpah Khan Qazilbash, leader of the Citizens Party together with six Muslim members of the party crossed over to the Muslim League Party.

JAMSHED NOWROZE ENTERTAINMENTS

"Geir Insaaf" To Be Staged At Balliwala Theatre On Thursday

Jamshedi Nowroze will be celebrated by Parsis throughout India on Friday (March 21). There are a number of city entertainments specially arranged for that day. Among these are two shows which will particularly appeal to Parsis. The Gujerati drama "Geir Insaaf" (i.e. "Injustice") written by the well-known playwrights Dr. Jehangir Wadia and Mr. Jehangir Engineer ("Rehber") will be staged at the Balliwala Grand Theatre, Parkland Road, at 3 p.m. Quite a large number of experienced artists will form the cast, including, among others, Rani Premlata, Chandrika, Yakbal, Manorama, Fatima, Pochkhanawala, H. Karani, D. Tata, P. Master, D. Goria, J. Mapla, Baby Hoshang. It will be repeated next Sunday (April 23rd) at the same theatre and at the same hour.

U. S. Envoy To Turkey Leaves For Washington

ISTANBUL, March 18. (U.P.A.): United States Ambassador Edwin Wilson arrived here to-day from Ankara and will board a plane to-morrow for Washington.

Before leaving Ankara Wilson conferred with the Turkish Foreign Minister and saw the Premier shortly after he arrived here.

Informed Turkish circles believed Wilson will report to the State Department on Turkey's needs and return to advise the Turkish Government on American views.

U. S. Envoy In Athens Flies To Washington

ATHENS, March 18. (Reuter): Mr. Lincoln MacVeagh, United States Ambassador to Greece, left Athens by air to-day for Washington where he had been recalled for consultations after President Truman's appeal to the United States Congress last week for aid to Greece and Turkey.

Before leaving, Mr. MacVeagh conferred with Mr. Mark Ethridge, United States representative on the United Nations Balkan Enquiry Commission, who came specially from Salonika for the meeting.

U. S. To Have Embassy In Bangkok

WASHINGTON, March 18. (Reuter): The State Department announced that an agreement had been reached between the Governments of the United States and Siam to raise their respective diplomatic missions to the rank of an embassy and to exchange Ambassadors.

Mr. Edwin F. Stanton is at present the United States Minister at Bangkok and it is believed here he will continue as Ambassador, Prince Wan Waithayakan is now on the way from Siam to the United States to head his country's diplomatic mission in Washington.

D. F. Karaka:

Off My Chest

The American Women's Annual Dance was like the constitution of the United States. You had to stand on it most of the time.

The place was so crowded one could not even chew gum without bumping into the jaws of the woman at the next table.

Gone were the days when one used to go to this show for tea and come out lazily for breakfast in the morning; gone too was that grace of living and that ease of life which one used to find at this, once the best show in town; gone also were those languid poses in which one found oneself leaning on the long bar with a blonde draped on the spare arm. But then may be I am a snob and cannot appreciate the broad humanitarianism of the democratic idea or the warmth of someone's hot breath on the back of one's neck, or the shuffle of closely packed feet, this atmosphere of Coney Island. Ah, well, I suppose all the good things of life must end some time.

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The news that an enquiry is being held into the running of the Gwalior horse, Jahaj Mahal, is the most welcome news of its kind, for which we are grateful to the new Stewards' Committee. There was a time when the 7th richest man in the world used to laugh at those of us of the press who were continually urging upon him to see that his fine string of horses ran more accurately to form. There used to be a smile on His Highness's face—a mocking smile somewhat like that on the Sphinx. But with the enquiry into the running of Jahaj Mahal being instituted by the new Stewards' Committee, whatever its findings, the smile will soon disappear.

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Numerous letters received appear to indicate that the people want Government to take some immediate action on the question of admission of accident cases to hospitals and nursing homes. It would be appreciated if Government were to indicate that something was going to be done to review the present situation.

VIET NAM OPENS FIRE ON FR. SHIPS

Ex-Emperor Of Annam Refuses To Oblige Paris

HANOI, March 18 (Reuter): Viet Nam (Nationalist) guns opened fire on French warships in the Red River in Northern Indo-China, a semi-official French report stated to-day. None of the ships was hit.

In the outskirts of Hanoi yesterday, several sharp encounters took place between French and Viet Namese troops. One French reconnaissance patrol marching from Hanoi toward Son Tay, 18 miles north-west of Hanoi, was submitted to 75 millimeter shelling and intense automatic rifle fire.

In the vicinity of Gialam aerodrome on the eastern outskirts of Hanoi, Viet Nam forces attacked French defence posts and were repulsed.

EX-EMPEROR TURNS DOWN FRENCH INVITATION

SAIGON, March 18 (Reuter): Former Emperor Baodai of Annam has declined an invitation by the French authorities to return to Annam, Northern Indo-China.

He declared that he would come back only if invited by Dr. Ho Chi Minh, President of Viet Nam, now fighting the French, it was learned from official sources here.

Emperor Baodoi has been in exile at Hongkong since his abdication nearly 18 months ago.

FR. DEPUTIES DEMAND VIET NAM REPRESENTATIVE'S ARREST

PARIS, March 18 (Reuter): When the French Cabinet met a few hours before the Indo-China debate scheduled to re-open in the National Assembly this afternoon, M Marius Voutet, Socialist Minister of Colonies, turned over to M. Paul Coste Floret, popular Republican Minister of War, Government's dossier on Duong Bac Mai, one of the Viet Nam (Indo-Chinese nationalist) representatives in Paris.

During the last Assembly debate on Indo-China, Mai was accused of having killed three Frenchmen. Mai was sitting in the visitor's gallery at the time and considerable confusion resulted when Right-Wing Deputies pointed him out and shouted for his arrest.

The riotous session was adjourned before any action was taken.

There was no indication in the Communique issued at the end of this morning's Cabinet meeting of what Government action is planned in the case of Mai, but the presence of unrecognised Viet Nam delegation in Paris while French troops are fighting Viet nam soldiers in Indo-China has been one of the points of dispute between Right and Left-Wing Deputies during the Indo-China debates.

9,000 City Dock Workers On Strike

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

About 9,000 workers of the H. M. I. Dockyard went on a stay-in-strike today in response to the call of their union to record a protest against "non-implementation of the Dockyard Enquiry Committee's recommendations by the Naval Headquarters."

The Enquiry Committee had recommended that about 4,000 workers should be made permanent, rules regarding promotion should be framed and that one representative of the Union should be represented on the Committee recommending promotion.

'QUAKE IN CHINA?

BOMBAY, March 18, (A. P. I.): An earthquake shook of great intensity as its origin about 1940 miles away with epicentre apparently near latitude 38 degrees north longitude 97 degrees east in China was recorded by the seismographs at the Colaba observatory at 13.55 hours (I. S. T.), on March 17, 1947.

Mountbatten Entertained At India House

LONDON, March 17 (Reuter). The Viceroy-Designate, Rear-Admiral Viscount Mountbatten, was the guest of honour at a reception given at the India House, London, tonight by Sir Samuel Runganadhan, High Commissioner for India.

The Secretary of State for India, Lord Pethick Lawrence, the War Minister, Mr. Fred Bellenger, Mr. A. G. Bottomley, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Dominions, and other members of the Government were present.

The diplomatic guests included Dr. Cheng, Ambassador for China. The reception was attended by many members of the House of Commons who have particular interest in Indian self-determination.

They included Mr. Richard Austen Butler, Member of the Conservative Shadow Cabinet, Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, Sir Stanley Reed, and Brigadier Low of the Conservative Party and Mr. Reginald Sorensen and Major Woodrow Vyatt of the Labour Party.

Lord Chorley, who was one of the British Parliamentary delegation to India prior to the Cabinet Mission, was present, and the number of distinguished newspaper guests included Lord Layton, Chairman of the "News Chronicle", Mr. Kingsley Martin, Editor of the "New Statesman and Nation", and the distinguished political commentator, H. N. Brailsford.

DR. MASINA'S PORTRAIT UNVEILED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Glowing tributes were paid by Sir Chimanlal Setalvad to the late Dr. Hormusji M. Masina, the founder of the Masina hospital, Byculla, while unveiling an oil-paint portrait of the late medico in the compound of the hospital this evening. The function which was largely attended by the friends and admirers of the departed doctor, was preceded by a 'jashan ceremony'.

Sir Chimanlal recalled his long-standing association with Dr. Masina and appealed to the citizens of Bombay to donate liberally and thus help in improving and enlarging and maintaining the hospital which bore the name of the late Dr. Masina.

The portrait of the late Dr. Masina was done by Mr. Jehangir Laikaka, the well-known Parsi artist.

Members of the Afghan Delegation to the Inter-Asian Relations Conference photographed on their arrival at Delhi. Dr. Majid, the leader of the Delegation, is 1st from the right.

GAP BETWEEN MINISTRIES AND MASSES

Congressmen And Governments Must Bend Their Energies To Bridge It, Says Shankerrao Deo

NAGPUR, March 18. (U.P.I.): The need for a balanced and systematic treatment of the various hardships now suffered by the masses was emphasised by Mr. Shankerrao Deo, General Secretary of the Indian National Congress, addressing the members of the C. P. and Berar Assembly Congress Party.

He was aware that Communists and other anti-Congress forces were taking advantage of the existing situation and that one of the lines of attack on the Congress Ministries was that they were no better than the Section 93 Government.

Mr. Deo had no doubt that there was a gap, though a small one, between the Congress and the masses, and the efforts of all Congressmen, M.L.A.'s and Ministers should be directed towards bridging that gap.

Mr. Deo added that he had been visiting provinces and had noticed that there were ferment and dissensions among Congress M.L.A.'s and Ministers on one hand and Congress Committees on the other. In the case of Madras these dissensions had come to the surface and seen the light of the day, but in other places they were smouldering. If the Congress was to regain the position vis-a-vis mass mind, co-operation between the two wings was essential.

Referring to the wave of strikes through which the Province and the rest of India was passing Mr. Deo said that it was wrong to suppose that all strikes were unjustified and it was also wrong to hold that all strikes were warranted. A proper balance should be struck between justified and unjustified strikes and sympathetic or firm treatment meted out to the situation.

After the speech some Congress M.L.A.'s put a few questions whereto Mr. Deo replied.

KARACHI MUNICIPALITY TO SUE GOVERNMENT

(From Our Correspondent.)

KARACHI, March 17.

The Karachi Municipal Corporation at its last meeting unanimously decided to take Legal action against the Sind Government for not handing back possession of a number of plots in the city which the Government had acquired during the War period.

On termination of the war, the Corporation requested the Government to return their lands, but the Government have been putting it off on pretext or the other. The Corporation, therefore, decided to file suit against the Government for the return of these plots.

Adiwasis Must Get Share In Popular Govt.

Wandrekar's Report To Consembly

The Adiwasis must get all the rights and privileges of and an adequate share in a popular Government. It is only then that their so called backwardness in the political, economic and all other fields will disappear, observes Mr. D. N. Wandrekar, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Backward Classes, Government of Bombay, in a written note on the Scheme of administration of the Partially excluded areas in Bombay Province, submitted to the "Partially Excluded Areas" sub-committee of the Constituent Assembly on March 16, 1947.

Mr. Wandrekar adds: "The Adiwasis, must be given special rights and privileges for some time to safeguard their interest from the exploiting elements. They must have representation on Central and Provincial legislatures and certain seats in provincial legislatures should be reserved for these people."

The seats should be allotted on population basis, says Mr. Wandrekar. There should be reservation of seats for them under a joint electorate with a right to contest other seats. The same principle should be applied to local bodies also, concludes Mr. Wandrekar.

and donated a lakh of rupees to the Viceroy's War Gifts Fund. A disciple of the Saint Sai Baba. He was president of the Shirdi Sai Baba Samsthan. He leaves behind his wife, two sons and a daughter.

Echo Of 1942 Disturbances

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Lokur).

Amimiya Imamammiya and others ....Appellants (Accused).

vs.

Imperator .....Respondent.

"It would be impossible for the affairs of any civilised community to be efficiently administered if changes in regime put executive officers of Government in peril of being victimised retrospectively" said the Chief Justice acquitting seven policemen who had been convicted and sentenced by the Sessions Judge of Kaira to various terms of imprisonment and to transportation for life for the offences of murder, grievous hurt and being members of an unlawful assembly armed with deadly weapons. The matters came up before the High Court on appeal by the accused.

The case arose out of the August 1942 disturbances. On 18th August 1942 a party of three policemen came across a crowd of about 30 young men near Vadod Village who, according to the information of the police, had arrived from Baroda in connection with certain activities of the Congress and the Praja Mandal. Apprehending that they would be outnumbered, the police party sent for reinforcements. Five more constables, some armed, with guns and some with lathis, arrived and joined them at Navli station, a furlong from Vadod. By that time the crowd of young men had gone away and the police party went in search of the young men. Unable to trace them, the police party entrained at Navli to return to their outpost. When the train reached Adas which was the next station, they saw the crowd of young men in the fields near the station.

The prosecution case was that the police party then fell upon the young men and without any warning assaulted them and fired upon them as a result of which four of them were killed and ten injured.

A prosecution was launched in November 1944 at the instance of a private person against the eight constables, one of whom died in the course of the hearing before the Sessions Court.

Observing that a certain amount of prejudice had crept into the case in the lower court and the trial had been conducted with considerable bitterness, the Chief Justice referred to the Criminal Procedure Code, Section 80 of the District Police Act and to the circular issued by the Inspector-General of Police in July 1941 and stated that a head constable in charge of an armed police party was empowered to give orders to open fire. The question was whether that power had been exercised and obeyed in good faith. In the opinion of the Chief Justice a police party on duty, in uniform, must be presumed to be acting in good faith until the contrary was proved by strong evidence. In view of the prohibitory order made by the District Magistrate of the place on 9th August 1942, the crowd of young men from Baroda was an unlawful party and it was the clear duty of the police to intervene, even if by doing so they placed themselves in danger. Having placed themselves in that position the police had all the rights of self-defence, if they reasonably apprehended danger to themselves. In H. Lordship's opinion there was such apprehension in view of the head-on collision which took place between the two parties. A sudden emergency arose which called for a quick decision and in the opinion of the Chief Justice there was no premeditated plan on the part of the police to kill or injure the Baroda party and they had not used force which was unjustified or excessive. The Chief Justice stated that the Sessions Judge appeared to have been confused by the complexities and contradictions in evidence in what was a sensational case. His Lordship, therefore, set aside the orders of the Sessions Court and ordered the Appellants to be acquitted.

In a separate judgment, Mr. Justice Lokur concurred.

Mr. E. B. Ghaswala with Mr. K. F. Nariman and Mr. B. G. Thakore appeared for the appellant accused.

The Advocate-General with the Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

JAWHAR ADIWASIS FLOCK TO LOKASABHA ELECTIONS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

DAHANU, March 17.

The Warli agitation in Dahanu and Umbergaon talukas has roused Warlis from Jawhar State also and made them conscious of their rights and priveleges. This became evident yesterday when a large number of Adiwasis walked miles to exercise franchise at Lokasabha elections held at Jawhar and other neighbouring centres.

Jawhar Maharaja is setting up a popular body consisting of people's representatives to help him in the administration of the State. This being the first election to the Lokasabha, voters, particularly Adiwasis, gathered at polling booths in large numbers. The election at Ashagad was thrilling since candidate, Tendolkar styling himself as Warlis representative was opposing two landlords. The Adiwasis, of course, backed the former Results are expected on March 19.

MORE WASTE LANDS IN BOMBAY TO COME UNDER CULTIVATION

BOMBAY, March 17 (API).—The Government of Bombay has cancelled all existing orders regulating the disposal of waste lands for cultivation and has directed that in all the districts, including the partially excluded areas, a systematic attempt should be made to give out for cultivation all waste lands which can more suitably and advantageously be used for cultivation and are capable of being profitably cultivated.

The new orders are applicable to the lands leased under the grow more food campaign and the forest lands, but not to the lands required for assignment for public purposes like village grazing, cattle sheds and stands, manure pits, extension of gaothans, provision of sites for schools, burial and cremation grounds, etc., etc.

While disposing of the waste lands, priority, as far as possible, is to be given to the members of the Backward Classes, both in the partially excluded and the non-partially excluded areas.

Colour Bar Against Indian Passenger To East Africa

LONDON, March 17 (Reuter): Mr. Reginald Sorensen, Labour Member keenly interested in Indian affairs, asked the Minister of Transport in the House of Commons today, if he had inquired into the case of the alleged colour discrimination against an Indian who booked his passage to East Africa, particulars of which had been sent to him.

Mr. Sorensen asked what further steps would be taken to avoid this discrimination.

Mr. George Strauss, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Transport, replied: "I have ascertained that the vessel in which the passage was booked was not a British ship and does not sail from this country. I am, therefore, unable to take steps in the matter."

Lewis Served With Court Mandate

Asked To Withdraw Notice Ending Union Contract With Govt.

WASHINGTON, March 17 (Reuter). The United States Supreme Court today ordered a mandate to be issued on March 20 obliging Mr. John L. Lewis, leader of the United Mine Workers Union, to withdraw within five days of the Mandate his notice terminating the Union's contract with Government.

If Mr. Lewis fails to withdraw his notice, a fine of 7,00,000 dollars incurred by the Union in the contempt of court action, which ended on March 6, will be increased to 2,800,000 dollars.

The Government had asked the court to act immediately to enforce its decision against Mr. Lewis and the Union to forestall a possible strike action on March 31.

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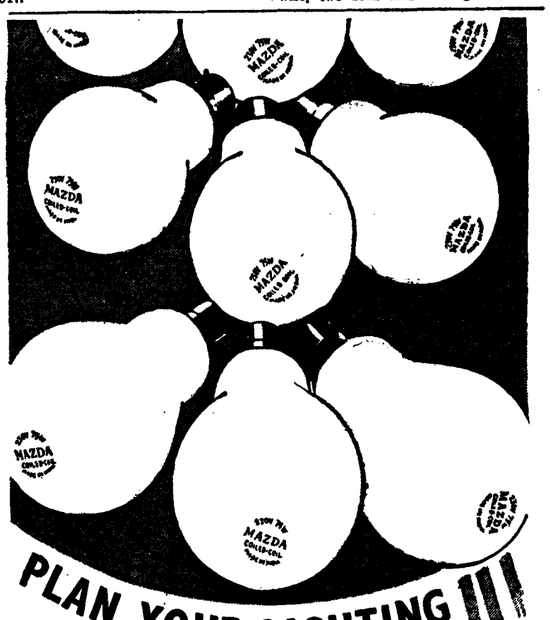
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3 pc 1959/61	102 5
4 pc B. P. T.	115 0
5 pc M. Debent.	121 8
6 pc B. P. T.	125 0
3 pc 1963/65	02 7
3 pc 1966/68	102 7
3 pc 1970/75	102 5
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4 pc 1960/70	113 15
4 pc 1983 Kar. Mun.	114 0
4-1/2 p c 1955/60	117 0
4 pc M. Debent	115 0
6 pc M. Debenture	123 0

Steels And Textiles Rise On Short Coverin

ROUTINE TRADING ON COTTON EXCHANGE

Heavy Unloading In Bullion Market

BOMBAY, March 18

After yesterday's moderate decline the Bombay Stock Exchange developed firmer tendency on short covering the lists of open business submitted by members disclosed fairly heavy short position and as per restrictions faced this short interest will have to be cleared up before the end of the month. It appears that all outstanding contracts in active ten shares will be closed and the market will have to begin afresh. However if the upward move makes any impressive drive, the Stock Exchange authorities will remove ban on fresh sales Thus for some time the market will have to adjust itself. The future course entirely depends upon the report of the Select Committee in connection with new Tax proposals. However the recent decline when read in connection with the top levels reached last August, goes to prove that holders of Stock lost heavily to the extent of several crores

Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 2235 and advanced at Rs. 2285 under active short covering and steadied at Rs. 2275. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 712 and hardened at Rs. 424. Bombay Dyeing shares opened at Rs. 2220 and firmed up at 2265 Kohinoors opened at Rs. 712 and improved at Rs. 740 while Swadeshi shares opened at Rs. 610 and improved at Rs. 635.

Later on there was moderate buying and Tata Steel Dfds. after advancing at Rs. 2295 steadied at Rs. 2287. Ordinary Shares after advancing at Rs. 426 quietened at Rs. 423/8. Bombay Dyeing were done at Rs. 2270. Swadeshi after advancing at Rs. 638 reached at 632. Kohinoors were steady at Rs. 738. Simplex shares opened at Rs. 305 and improved at Rs. 318. Central Bank Shares opened at Rs. 123/8 and after advancing at Rs. 126/8 steadied at Rs. 124/8. Scindia opened at Rs. 31 and rallied at Rs. 32/12. Associated Cements were done at Rs. 182/8.

As a result of day's working Tata Steel Dfds. gained Rs. 55, Ordinary Rs. 12, Dyeing Rs. 60, Kohinoor Rs. 33, Swadeshi Rs. 7, Simplex Rs. 15, Scindia Rs. 2, Nagpur Rs. 16 and Gokaks Rs. 17.

MILLS SHARES.

Bombay Dyeing 2280 Kohinoor 745 Swadesh 642 Nagpur 327 Simplex 325 New Great 382 Gokak 325 Indore 635 Century 1060 Colaba 295 Indian Bleaching 178 Swan 385 Finlay 318 Morarji 770 Edward 640 Meyer 267/4 Apollo 4/6 I. U. Ordinary 16/4 I. U. Defd. 3/8 Madhusudan 507/8 Podar 340 Khatav 320.

STEEL SHARES.

Tata Steel Ord. 427 Tata Steel Dfd. 2305 Second Pref. 159.

CEMENT.

Associated Merger 187.

INDUSTRIES.

Burma 502/8 Bellapur 245 Shivraj pur 41 Scindia 33/2 P. Construction 210 Tata Chemical 16/10 Tata Oil 84 Indian Iron 38/12 Bengal Steel 28/12.

ELECTRIC SHARES.

Tram Ordinary 111 Tata Hydro 179 Andhra 1630 Tata Power 1666.

MILLS (CASH)

Elphinstone 88 Phoenix 1325 India Manufacturing 4300 Koorla 300 Dawn 1600 David 180 New City 266 Minerva 300 Bradbury 605 Bharucha (Defd.) 8 Bharat 55 Mysore 330 Madhavji 20 Model 225 Laxmi 1870 Vishnu 650 Western 4300 Standard 562/8 Sholapur 7400 Sassoon Cotton 24/8 Hindustan 4300 Tata 113/8 Ahmedabad Advance 530 Sassoon Silk 101 New Union 26/14 Madhusudan B. 107 Shrinivas 437/8 Raja Bahadur 116/4 Berar 375 Victoria 425.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH).

Ahmedabad 160 (New) 129 Surat (Ord.) 243/12 New Pre. 211/4 Karachi 240 Broach 13 Ajmer 15/2 Amalgamated 20/4 Jalgaon 14/12 Nagpur 68 Poona 260 Bombay Suburban 202/8 Bombay Suburban (New) 164/10.

BANK SHARES.

Reserve 124/8 Imperial 2340 P. P. 565 Central 125 India X.D. 237 Union 12/4 Baroda 170 Habib 195/8 A. B. C. 56 Dena Bank 70/8 United Commercial 87 Jaipur 74 Bikaner 31 Hindustan Corpn. 52 National Savings (fully paid) 82 Mysore 505 Exchange (Ord.) 65 Eastern 106 Bombay Provincial 85.

INSURANCE.

Oriental 6300 Empire 975 New India 91 Jupiter 38/8 Vulcan 16/12 Indian Mercantile 63/8 Universal Fire 20/8 Vasant 26/4 British India General 26/8 Industrial Prudential 61/12 Neptune 13/6 New Great 43 All-India General 40/8.

RAILWAYS.

C. P. 107 Mymensing 113 Guaranteed 113 Sara Sirajganj 116 Pachora 101 Mandra Bhon 116.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 560 Steamer 617/8 Burma New 178/12 Burma Petrol 3/10 Mackenzie 185 Port Canning 90 Kemp 575 Zandu Pharmacy 202/8 Indian Radio (Ord.) 377 Indian Radio B. 375 Indian Radio 362/8 Indian Investment Trust 121/8 Wimco X. R. 275 Dharamsey Chemical 43/8 Mukund Iron 14/12 Dena Trust 25 Alembic 355 Supreme India 228 Jamwire 141/8 Bombay Uganda 85 Bombay Motor Cycle 43/8 India Cement 42 Walchand Nagar Industries 390 United Motor 70 A. C. C. New 73.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 235 Tram 52 Andhra Valley 1370 Tata Power 1415 Hydro 142/8 Bombay Steamer 348/12 Nagpur 720 Swadeshi 150 Vishnu 805 Laxmi 306/4 New Great 263/12 Poddar 116 Shrinivas 101

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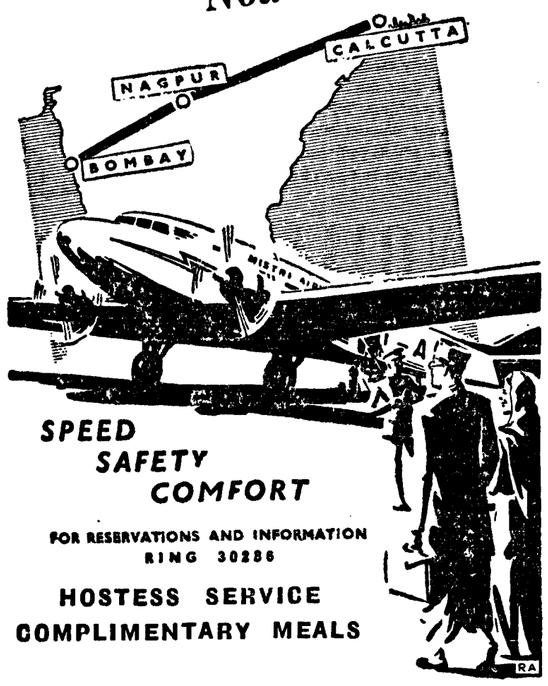

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MILLS.

Apollo 4/4 4/1 4/7 4/5 4/6
Bradbury 630 5
B. Dyeing 2240 10 50 40 55 50 90 80
C. India 321 12 24 13 27
E. Textile 650 40
Elphinstone Ord. 90 88
Finlay 304 18 17 19 18
Gokak 309 15 12 19 12 18 13 25
I. U. Defd. 3/3 3/1 3/8
I. U. Ord. 15/10 16/8 16 16/4 16/3 16/4
Indore 625 37/8 20 40 33/12 35
Khatau 325 20
Kohinoor 713 35 25 35 32 39 33 38 36 45
Meyer 270 67/8
Model 240 25
New City 260 (ex. div.)
New Great 375 60 82 (ex. div.)
Simplex 305 2 15 10 25
Swadeshi 610 30 20 38 30 42
Swan 380 75 85 82 85
Tata Mills 112 14 13/8
Vishnu 650

BANKS

Baroda 170
Central 123/8 26/8 24/4 25
Habib 195/8
Imperial Old 2300 40
Imperial New 570 65
India 240 37
Reserve 127 23 24/8
Union 11/12 12/12 12/4
U. Commercial 88 87

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 162/8 60
B. Tram Ord. 111 11/8 10 12 9 11
B. Tram Pref. 52
Hydro 180 79
Hydro Pref. 141/4 42/8
Power 1665
Power Pref. 1415
Andhra Pref. 1365 70
New India Ins. 93 90 91

STEAMER

Scindia 31 33 32/12 33/2

STEEL

B. Steel 27/8 28/4 28 29/8 28/12
I. Iron 38 37/12 38/14 38/12
Tata Defd. 2230 25 40 35 60 55 70 60 80 75 85 75 97/8 90 97/8 2305
Tata Ord. 412 8 26 24/8 27
Tata IInd Pref. 158 59

MISCELLANEOUS.

A. C. C. Old 179 76 81/8 79 83 82/8 84/8 82/8 87
A. C. C. New 72 68 73 72
Belapur 235 43 40 45 40 45
B. B. Old 465 87/8 75 90 85 87/8 86/4 510 2/8
B. B. New 178/12
B. B. Petrol 3/12 3/10
F. Const. 192 214 7 9 8 10
Shivrajpur 41
Tata Chemical 16/12 16/4 16/14 16/10 16/12 16/10
Tata Oil 90 84 86 84
Wimco 275 70

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Elphinstone 130 Bradbury 558/12 Surat Elec. 211/4 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 153/12 (2nd Pref.) 122/8 Amalgamated 156/4 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 122/8 Walchand Nagar Industries 260 Jupiter 19/12 Supreme 107.

OUTSIDE SHARES.

Indian Copper 3/8 B. I. C. 9/14 Burma Corporation 4/9 New Victoria 6/12 New Victoria Preference 7/12 Raja 40 Phalton 140 Gold Mohar 405 New Kaiser Hind 470 Saijan 375 Osmanshahi 322/8 Ajam Shahi 295 Air Services 19 Birla Motors 8/1 Marshall 9 Air India Premium 175.

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, March 18.

The meeting of the Board of Directors held yesterday afternoon failed to come at any decision in connection with the last clearing. In the meantime another clearing is drawing near and the market is facing serious problems. This goes to prove that the trading conditions now in practice are not ideal and needs drastic changes otherwise, periodical difficulties are bound to appear.

There was no forward trading in silver and nominal quotation was Rs. 156 which is the fixed maximum level. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs 167/8. Vaishakh Gold was quoted at Rs. 101/4 and Ready Gold stood at Rs. 105.

Later on there was heavy selling in Gold by local ready merchants and some Bank. Vaishakh declined at Rs. 98/12 and steadied at Rs. 99/8. Ready declined at Rs. 102/10 and steadied at Rs. 103/8 Vaishakh Silver also after declining at Rs. 153/12 improved at Rs. 154/8 and ready Silver also declined at Rs. 163.

Final quotations were as under:—

Ready Silver	163 12 0
Vaishakh	154 8 0
Ready Gold	103 8 0
Vaishakh Delivery	99 8 0

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 18th March. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,01,75,000 (Rupees one crore, one lakh and seventy-five thousand only. Tenders at Rs. 99-14-3 were accepted in full. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 61,75,000. The average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0/7/0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Two Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 25th March upto 11 a.m. at Bombay and upto the close of business on Monday, the 24th March at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 28th March.

During the week ended the 14th March 1947, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 13,35,25,000— were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, March 18.

The cotton market opened steady and with routine trading prices fluctuated within a narrow range. There is utter absence of outside business and prices near being the floor level, there is no inducement to sell short. At present price the risk is limited but buyers have no confidence and the market is left alone.

May delivery opened today at Rs. 435/- and improved at Rs. 435/8 under scattered buyings. At this level there appeared some long liquidation and May delivery declined at Rs. 434/8 and thereafter steadied at Rs. 435/-.

Later on the market was quiet and under scattered selling May delivery was quoted at Rs. 434/4.

The market was quiet and May delivery after touching Rs. 434/- closed at 4-30 p.m. as under :—

I. C. C. March	Unquoted
I. C. C. May	434 6 0
I. C. C. July	446 6 0
I. C. C. Sept.	456 2 0

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, March 17.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing
May	437¼	433¼	434¼
July	450	446	447
Sept.	460	456	457

Karachi 4F May 47-5-6 46-11-6 46-14-6

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May contract is 1783 points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

COTTON TENDERS

On Monday 650 Bales were tendered against March contract. So far total tenders amount 15750 Bales.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, March 18

The Government has allowed export of castorseeds oil but full details are not received as there was no ban on exports and those who exported castorseeds oil in 1941/42 were given permits on quota basis. Thus the new notification needs clarification. The contracts which are done are subject to permits and internal transport and there is no uniform policy in all provinces. There was active buying in May castorseeds which opened at Rs. 126/13 and advanced at Rs. 127/12. Ready castorseeds were quoted at Rs. 140/- while castorseeds oil remains quiet at Rs. 18/8. The firmness of this section had bullish effect on linseed. April/May linseed opened at Rs. 26/4 and firmed up at Rs. 26/9 while ready linseed was quiet at Rs. 27/4 owing arrivals from some stations of U. P. groundnuts Khandesh were quoted at Rs. 29/12. Coromandel Rs. 29/4 and Bold Rs. 28/12. Groundnut oil upcountry mills Rs. 18/- and April Rs. 17/4.

Towards the close there was improved demand for groundnuts and Khandesh quality stood at Rs. 30/8 Coromonday Rs. 29/12 and Bold Rs. 29/4. Oil also gained two annas.

WALL STREET MARKET STEADY

NEW YORK, March 17.

STOCKS: Showed a technical recovery of fraction to two points over a faidly broad front but trading continued lifeless and mostly professional with numerous outside participants awaiting further developments pertaining to current international and domestic economic uncertanties.

The various traders aiding technical recovery of the stock market lost interest in the afternoon and prices dropped from best with trading almost at a standstill at times. Few resistant spots were apparent and most of the groups being traded towards the close showed gains of barely fractions to one point.

American Telephone And Telegraph	164-5/8
Amerex Holding Co.	30
Anaconda Copper Mining	38-1/2
Chase National Bank	36-5/8
Sinclair Oil	15-3/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	34-3/4
General Elec. Co.	35
General Motors	57-3/4
International Nickel	31-1/4
International Nickel	31-1/4
National City Bank of New York	39-5/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	17-1/4
Socony Vacuum Corporation	14
Texas Corporation	47-7/8
Union Carbon & Carbide	96-1/2
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	47-1/4
U. S. Steel Corporation common	71-1/2
Western Union Telegraph	19

INDIAN GOVERNMENT TO ABOLISH EXPORT RESTRICTIONS ON CARPET WOOLS?

NEW YORK, March 17, (U.P.A.):

Reliable quarters today reported that the Government of India will abolish all export restrictions on carpet wool before the end of the month as a move to obtain more revenue which would be achieved by the imposition of higher export duty of carpet wool. These quarters believe that the additional price involved may be detrimental to Indian trade since the current price is already considered too high and other primary Oriental sources are planning to increase their exports.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, March 18 at 2 P.M.

Tata Ordinary 423/8 Tata Deferred 2287/8 Indian Iron 38/10 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 28/14 Bombay Dyeing 2270 Central India 321/14 Gokak 315 Kohinoor 738/2 Simplex 318 Swadeshi 631/14 Tata Power 1665 Associated Cement 182/8 Belapur 241/14 Bombay Burma (Old) 487/8 Scindia 32/12 Central Bank 124/6 New India 91/4 Tata 2nd Pref. 156/14

SHORT COVERING AND MILL BUYING IN NEW YORK COTTON

Prices Gain 6 To 21 Points

NEW YORK, March 17.

Cotton opened irregular, 15 higher to 1 lower, soon sagging on scattered liquidation prompted by reports that top ranking department of agriculture officials are advising farmers to redeem their 1946 loan cotton as loans may be called on July 1st. Actually only about 80,000 of the current loan is unredeemed and consequently this statement soon lost interest. Subsequently prices rallied under very quiet conditions with mill buying and covering, the latter responding to the action of grain market and the stock exchange with the usual bullish features still restraining sellers. Trading was rather more active and gaining steadily in early dealings on price fixing in near months and other buying which was still impulsed by the strength of grains. Latterly prices reacted on increased profittaking and closed barely steady, though 6 to 21 higher. Sales are estimated at 175,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 17.

May	34.59+05
May Highest	34.77+23
May Lowest	34.49—05
July	32.61+06
October	29.66+21
December	28.77+12
January	28.62+12
March	28.27+17
Middling Spot	35.99+08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, March 17.

May	34.59+11
July	32.59+14
October	29.62+10
December	28.72+10
Middling Spot	35.10+05

NEW YORK PEPPER

NEW YORK, March 17, (U.P.A.):

Black pepper futures closed unchanged to 200 lower with no sales reported. Closing prices were:

March	54 nom.
May	52 nom.
July	49 nom.
September	41 bid.
October	40.50 bid.
December & January	40 nom.

LONDON DOMESTIC SILVER DOWN HALF PENNY

LONDON, March 17, (U.P.A.):

The price of domestic silver on the London market was today down half penny. Spot silver was quoted at 48 pence per ounce and forward at 45-1/2 pence per ounce.

NEW YORK SILVER DOWN ONE CENT

NEW YORK, March 17, (U.P.A.):

The price of silver was today quoted at 74-1/2 cents on the New York Market, which marks a decline of one cent from the price ruling on Friday last of 75-1/2 cents.

Heavy offerings of probably half-a-million ounces today proved more than what the domestic demand could absorb, forcing the price of silver down another cent. The volume of business transacted was estimated at between 300,000 and 400,000 ounces.

DISPOSALS

The REGIONAL COMMISSIONER DISPOSALS, SOUTHERN CIRCLE, Bombay invites tenders for the purchase and removal of the following stores:—

DESCRIPTION

SALVAGE DEGAUSING CABLE PN. 98365 (37/093) single core rubber insulated, touch rubber sheathed. (Lot No. 1).

QUANTITY: Approximately 41,790 yds. or 69 tons.

NOTE: The quantity is only approx. and no gurantee is given for the correctness of the quantity or the quality or description of the stores.

LOCATION: R.I.N. STORES DEPOT, CHINCHPOKLI CROSS LANE.

Prices must be quoted for the "whole lot of approx 69 tons." stating specifically that conditions of contract Con. 117 are acceptable. The stores may be inspected by the prospective tenderers.

SUPERSCRIBED REFERENCE: Tender No. RCS/60126/A.

LAST DATE DUE: 27th March 1947.

OFFERS should be sent to this office and should remain open for acceptance up to 15th April 1947.

EARNEST MONEY amounting to 10% of the value offered should be deposited in the Imperial/Reserve Bank of India/Government Treasury in favour of the Regional Commissioner Disposals, Bombay under Head of Account "Revenue Deposits". The deposit receipt should be attached to the tender. The deposit is refundable to unsuccessful tenders.

Delivery should be completed ex-site within 15 days of the receipt of acceptance offer. No assistance will be offered in obtaining transport facilities, railway wagons, etc.

Tenders will be "opened in public at 11 A.M. on 28-3-1947" and the highest offer above Rs. 5,000/- will be accepted.

All further particulars may be obtained from this office:

THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER DISPOSALS,
(SOUTHERN CIRCLE)
Mercantile Chambers, Graham Road,
Ballard Estate, Bombay.
Tel: 30041 (5 lines)

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BUT BECAUSE	it has helped to blot the heart-aches of many, when used wisely.

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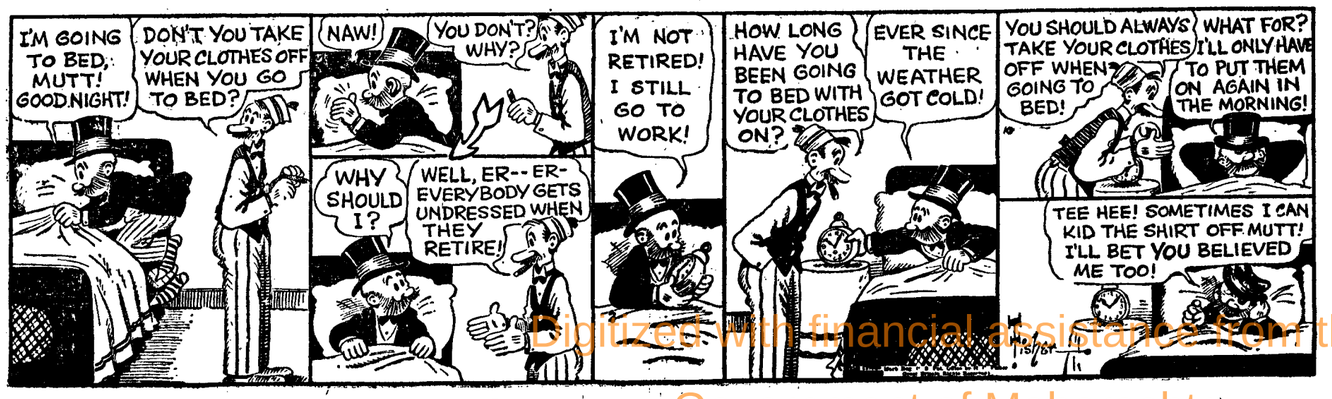
MUTT AND JEFF—You'd Have To Be Atomic To Keep Warm In My Apt. Anyway — By BUD FISHER


I'M GOING TO BED, MUTT! GOOD NIGHT!
DON'T YOU TAKE YOUR CLOTHES OFF WHEN YOU GO TO BED?
NAW!
YOU DON'T? WHY?
WHY SHOULD I?
WELL, ER--ER-EVERYBODY GETS UNDRESSED WHEN THEY RETIRE!
I'M NOT RETIRED! I STILL GO TO WORK!
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN GOING TO BED WITH YOUR CLOTHES ON?
EVER SINCE THE WEATHER GOT COLD!
YOU SHOULD ALWAYS TAKE YOUR CLOTHES OFF WHEN GOING TO BED!
WHAT FOR? I'LL ONLY HAVE TO PUT THEM ON AGAIN IN THE MORNING!
TEE HEE! SOMETIMES I CAN KID THE SHIRT OFF MUTT! I'LL BET YOU BELIEVED ME TOO!

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Post Office Box No. 916 BOMBAY.

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Wanted Immediately Two M.B.B.S. Lady Doctors, Kolaba District. Salary 200 upwards, quarters, practice, joining expenses. Apply Box 5273, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a Smart Young Steno-Typist with good Office experience for Up-country Cotton Mills. Apply stating experience and salary expected. Apply Box No. 2544, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a tutor to teach Satar (an Indian musical instrument) at home. Apply with qualifications and minimum remuneration expected." Apply Box No. 5256, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted thoroughly experienced qualified Surgeon Rajputana Hospital. Salary 750, quarters, practice joining expenses. Apply immediately Box No. 5274, "Bombay Chronicle."

If you want any kind of employment in India or abroad, apply (stating qualifications) for our "Terms", Hastings and Co., Employment Agents, Cloth Market, Delhi. (5221)

Wanted Experienced Stenotypist Rs. 150|- Typist Clerk 75|- Permanent post. Apply personally with testimonials. Telephone No. 24046. (5275)

Wanted urgently for Poona, Nasik, Belgaum, Karachi, Calcutta, Ahmednagar and Madras, Managers on a salary of Rs. 500|- per month. Apply to Post Box No. 5598, Dadar, Bombay. (5276)

Wanted from June, Graduate and Undergraduate Teachers, trained preferred. Also Drawing Teachers, Physical Instructors and lady teachers. Grades, D.A. and Pr. Fund for approved services. Apply with full particulars to President, R. F. Daboo Education Society, Vyara (T. V. Ry.). 2584

ACCOMMODATION ADLETS

Wanted a flat in a good locality in Bombay City, furnished or unfurnished. Temporary or permanent. Good rent." Apply Box No. 5257, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Get Medical Diplomas at home: Ayurvedic, Homoeopathic, Unani. Prospectus free. Old Indian Medical College, Barnala, Patiala. (5158)

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Area Agents and regional distributors for our imported and indigenous lines. Firms with extensive sales organisation preferred. E. Benson & Co., Poona. (5191)

Wanted: Agents for the sale of "Bombay Chronicle" and the "Bombay Samachar" copies at Baroda. Apply to the Circulation Manager, The Bombay Chronicle Co., Ltd., Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay.

Wanted Agents to sell our hand-bag, Cup-board and leather bag handles, Hangers, Wall Pegs, Cycle Locks and Grips, Sign Board letters, etc., made of aeroplane scrap. Please Correspond T. G. Mankodi & Co., P.O. Box 670, Karachi. (2587)

Wanted Agents to push sales of Silk Shirting and Sahrees for Bombay and Gujarat Kathiawar. Apply Purisons Knitting Works Regd. Ludhiana. (5219)

BUSINESS OFFERS

Persons interested to purchase best quality of Rubber Hygienic goods such as Paragons, Crocodiles, Check Pessaries, etc. Apply to G.P.O. Post Box No. 1277, Bombay, for wholesale rates. (5238)

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Interested parties to buy all sizes of Gld. and Steel ropes, new lot, cheap rates, Shabbir Trading Co., 27, Bapu Khote St., 3 Bombay. 5246

For Immediate Sale 750 Tons Coal Dust & Rubble at Bharodi Mumbra G.I.P. (35 miles from Bombay). Those interested please contact National Brick Manufacturing Company, 11, Botawala Building, 2rd Floor, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, Telephone 32225. (5245)

Available All Varieties of Aerated Water Essences, Colours, Foam Syrup, Preservative Liquid; Lemon; Orange, Rose, Raspberry Oils; Various Hair Oils, Brilliantines, etc. Enquire Post Box No. 1032, G.P.O., Bombay No. 1. (5270)

24 Cases "Le-Roy" Champagne arrived Bombay per S.S. Nirvana ex Bond £.200/- net. Also sole wine agency for India considered. Contact C.T. Godfrey & Co,, New Delhi. Telegrams "Gordonfrey." 5261

PUBLIC NOTICES.

G.I.P. RAILWAY
SPECIAL NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the 100 miles restriction on the issue of tickets will not apply to booking of passengers by 29 Down and 30 Up Bombay-Nagpur Express trains, which will be re-introduced from April 1, 1947. (2588)

NOTICE.

IT IS NOTIFIED for the information of all concerned that I have applied for naturalization as a British subject under the British Nationality and Status of Aliens Act, 1914, and that my application is at present under the consideration of the Government of India. Any person who has any objection to such naturalization may send his representation to the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, New Delhi.

Name: MISS JOHANNA ZOECHLING.
Present Nationality: AUSTRIAN.
Full Address: 'Rafiya Manzil' 14, Wodehouse Road, Bombay. 2495

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following Lectureships in the Department of Chemical Technology in the grade of Rs. 200-20-400-25-500:—

1. Singhanee Lecturer in Chemical Engineering.
2. Singhanee Lecturer in Pharmacy.
3. Singhanee Lecturer in General Engineering.

The Lectureship in General Engineering will be in the first instance until the 15th September, 1947, when the period of lien granted to the present incumbent expires.

Six type-written copies of the application made on the prescribed form, together with six copies of testimonials, should be forwarded so as to reach the Registrar, University of Bombay, Bombay 1, on or before the 30th April, 1947.

Further details and forms of application can be had from the undersigned.

S. R. DONGERKERY,
Registrar,
University of Bombay.
Bombay, 14th March, 1947. (2580)

THE WESTERN INDIA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD., SATARA.

CORRECTION

IN THE advertisement concerning the notice to policy holders of the above mentioned Company which appeared in the "Bombay Chronicle" of 14th March, 1947, a mistake has crept in the clause regarding annuities in Section III, Sub-item 'b.' It should be read as "annuities on human life of a total amount of NOT LESS than Rs. 250|- per annum."

G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for the purchase of Saw dust mixed with shavings available for disposal in the G.I.P. Railway Workshops, Matunga, during the period 1-4-1947 to 30-9-1947. Form obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Re. 1|- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 28-3-1947, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) (2558)

FINANCE

Wanted Financiers to advance Rs. 15,000|- for the improvement of eight businesses paying Rs. 2,000|- monthly. Full security, 9% interest or share in business. D.K. Industries, c|o Keskar, Kollwada, Thana. (5271)

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MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

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Qualified Nurses available Day and Night, Enquire Tel. No. 34074. 4999

Start earning Rs. 80|- in cotton, capital Rs. 25|- only, success guaranteed, p.c. losses refunded. Remit Rs. 10|- for the scheme. Joshi Fulgalliwalla, Ahmad Building, Golpitha, Bombay. (5272)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

U.S.S. Fountain Pens just arrived. Price Gents Rs. 5|-, Ladies Rs. 4|- Write for wholesale rates and samples. Agents Wanted. House of Commerce, P.B. 345, Lahore. (1463)

Carpet and Rug Weavers Co., Mirzapur. U.P. Finest designs Rs 17/- yard, embossed 20/-. 5103

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

WANTED CLERK in the Grades of 115-5-160 and 70-5-95 also a Storekeeper in the grade of 90-5/2-120 Graduates and Candidates with previous experience only need apply before 27th March, 1947 to the undersigned.

(Sd.) C. R. DESAI,
Asstt. Housing Commissioner,
(Construction), Bombay,
"ENSA" Barracks, Esplanade
Maidan, Bombay. 2583

SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION.
(GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY)

THE SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE Examination will be held from Monday, 24th March, 1947, according to the programme published at page 5 of Part II of the Bombay Government Gazette, dated the 2nd January, 1947.

S. S. MONE,
Secretary,
S. L. C. Examination Board.
Poona, 17th March, 1947. 2582

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from female candidates to fill a permanent vacancy in the post of Science Mistress, Dow Hill Girls' School, Kurseong in the Bengal General Service. Pay—the selected candidate will be of gazetted rank and draw pay in the scale of Rs. 225-20/2-325 with free furnished quarters, occupiers' share of municipal tax being payable by the person appointed. A higher initial pay of Rs. 265 per month may be granted provided the candidates possesses sufficient experience of teaching the subject. The selected candidate will be on probation for 2 years. Qualifications—must be a British subject or the subject of a State in India in respect of whom a declaration has been made under section 262 (2) of the Government of India Act, 1935: must possess a degree in Science (Biology) and Teachers' Training. Training and experience in Britain will receive favourable consideration: must be able to teach General Science and some other class subjects such as Mathematics or English: must be willing to enter into the life of the school and assist with Blue Birds or Girl Guides and other extra curricula activities. Age—must not be more than 30 years on the 1st April, 1947. Candidates should furnish the following information in their applications for which NO FORM HAS BEEN PRESCRIBED: (1) Name, (2) Present address, (3) Age on 1st April, 1947, (4) Father's name, (5) Permanent address, (6) Qualifications, (7) Experience, (8) Religion. Applications together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5 under the head "XXXVI-Misc." must reach the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Anderson House, Alipore, Calcutta, not later than the 15th April, 1947. Applications from candidates who are in permanent or temporary employment under any Government in India will be rejected unless they are submitted through the appointing authority of their post or service. Canvassing will disqualify. Each candidate must furnish evidence of her age, qualifications and previous experience, together with two certificates written not more than one year prior to the date of her application, from two responsible persons not related to her nor connected with her by marriage testifying to her private character. 2586

NOTICE

EDWARD BAWTIS SOARES and GEORGE BAWTIS SOARES have agreed to sell to my client their land at village Marol in Greater Bombay bearing Survey No. 168, Hissa No. 2 area 24 Gunthas, standing in Collector's records in the name of Lores Caitan Soares and Pauline Ayal Lores Caitan Soares their grand parents.

All persons claiming any right, title, interest, by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Versova Road, Andheri within 14 days from the date hereof. Otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, will be deemed to have been knowingly waived.

RAGHUNATH BALKRISHNA RAJE.
Advocate.
Dated 17th March, 1947. 2585

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BOMBAY-SIND.

ADDITIONAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES, BOMBAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED before 10-5-1947 for the post of ADDITIONAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES, BOMBAY PAY:—Rs. 600-1,100 PLUS Rs. 80 conveyance allowance. Higher starting pay admissible to exceptionally well qualified candidates. QUALIFICATIONS.—(1) Degree in mechanical or electrical engineering or technical chemistry, two years' practical experience in workshops and factories after graduation and four years' further experience in responsible executive and administrative positions in industrial or commercial concerns or Government Departments dealing in these matters OR (ii) first class diploma in mechanical or electrical engineering of a recognised foreign institution or M.I.E. (India) or A.M.IE.E. or A.M.I.M.E. with at least ten years' practical experience in responsible post in industrial concern. AGE:—Not more than 40 years on 1-7-1947. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and uncrossed Postal Order for Re. 1/- payable to "Secretary, Bombay-Sind Public Service Commission", Bombay, who will also supply full details on request. 2581

PUBLIC NOTICES

GHATKOPAR-KIROL MUNICIPALITY
NOTICE
(Under sections 64 and 65 of the District Municipal Act, 1901).

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Assessment Lists of the Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality for the year 1947-48 have been completed and published and are open for inspection at the Municipal office at Ghatkopar during office hours on all working days.

Any person claiming to be either owner or occupier of any property included in the lists and any agent of such person shall be at liberty to inspect the lists and take extracts therefrom without any charge.

If any such owner, occupier or representative has any objection to this assessment, he or she should send his or her objection in writing so as to reach the undersigned on or before THURSDAY THE 1ST MAY 1947 after which no objection to the said assessment will be considered.

P. D. DAFTARY.
Chairman,
Managing Committee,
Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ghatkopar, 18th March, 1947. 2578

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. SHAMSUDDIN ALLABUX HYDERALLI JHAVERI and HEPTULLA ALLABUX HYDERALLI JHAVERI, both of Bombay Muslims, have contracted to sell to one of our clients the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property or any portion thereof by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our Office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground of Pension and Tax tenure with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being on the East side of Borah Masjid Lane or otherwise called Police Court Lane in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, in the Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 48 square yards or thereabouts and shown in the Cadastral Survey Register as admeasuring 49 square yards and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 52, New No. 434, Old Survey No. 692, New Survey No. 8777 and Cadastral Survey No. 899 of Fort Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under "A" Ward No. 2523 and Street No. 13 and present Street No. 5A and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the North and East by the property of Nenkom Charles, on or towards the West by Police Court Lane and on or towards the South by the property of Ratanbai, wife of Rustomji Sorabji.

Dated this 17th day of March, 1947.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (2579)

AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF PROPERTY at Mori Road, Mahim which was to be held to-day has been postponed.

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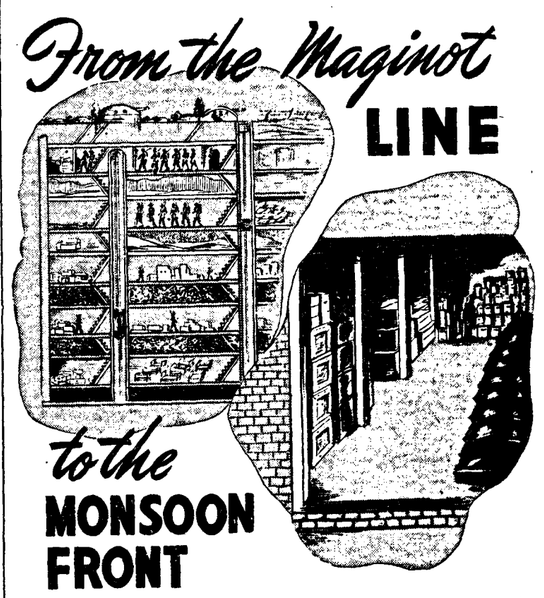

All known processes having failed to waterproof the Maginot Line, AQUELLA was evolved after intensive research at the request of the French Government.

It is a waterproof which is destined to save crores of rupees a year on costly wet-rot in homes, offices, factories and godowns.

AQUELLA is a mineral product and a scientific formula in the form of a non-toxic powder available in four colours. Mixed with water and scrubbed into any porous surface, its infinitesimal particles penetrate and expand as they dry, forming a solid watertight seal which continues to harden with age.

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Licensees in India:
Mahindra & Mohammed Limited, Bombay.

An explanatory leaflet may be had free on request from the Licensees or the Distributors.

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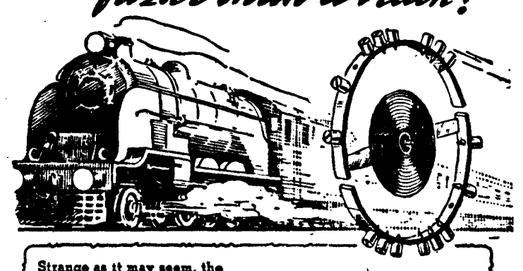
Did you realise that a watch runs faster than a train?



Strange as it may seem, the balance-wheel of a watch runs at just the same speed as the wheels of a locomotive travelling at sixty miles per hour

The performance of the balance-wheel is, however, incomparably greater. Unlike the locomotive, it works continuously—twentyfour hours each day, for weeks, months and years, with little attention except periodical oiling and cleaning.

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